

SCRIPTURE NOTES: WAITING FOR THE COMING

Isaiah 40:27-31

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WAITING STORIES

OLD TESTAMENT

- Gen 8:10,12: **Noah waited** another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark . .
- **Joseph** – forgotten in prison – waiting for two years (vg). Gen 40:23-41:13 for the butler to remember him.
- Exo 24:12: The LORD said to **Moses**, "Come up to me on the mountain, and **wait** there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment. Exo 24:14: To the elders Moses had said, "**Wait** here for us, until we come to you again *[they don't! turn to idolatry]*
- 1Sa 10:8: **Saul**: you shall go down to Gilgal ahead of me; then I will come down to you to present burnt offerings and offer sacrifices of well-being. *Seven days* you shall **wait**, until I come to you and show you what you shall do." 1Sa 13:8: Saul **waited** seven days, the time appointed by Samuel; but Samuel did not come to Gilgal, and the people began to slip away from Saul.

NEW TESTAMENT

- Luk 1:21: Meanwhile the people were **waiting** for Zechariah (the father-to-be of John the Baptist) and wondered at his delay in the sanctuary.
- Act 1:4: While staying with his disciples, Jesus ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to **wait** there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me;
- 1Co 11:33: So then, my brothers and sisters, when you come together (for the Lord's Supper), **wait** for one another . . (*haven't been doing so*).

The Command to WAIT

- (Psa 27:14) **Wait** for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; **wait** for the LORD!
- (Psa 37:7) Be still before the LORD, and **wait** patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices.

The Decision to WAIT

- (Psa 130:5) I **wait** for the LORD, my soul **waits**, and in his word I hope;
- (Psa 130:6) my soul **waits** for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning,

The Promises for Waiting

- (Psa 37:9) Those who **wait** for the LORD *shall inherit the land*.
- (Psa 38:15) for you, O LORD, that I **wait**; you, O Lord my God, *will answer*
- (Psa 40:1) I **waited** patiently for the LORD; *he inclined to me and heard my cry*.
- (Psa 62:1) For God alone my soul **waits** in silence; *from him comes my salvation*.
- (Isa 49:23) those who **wait** for me *shall not be put to shame*.
- (Isa 64:4) From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, *who works for those who wait* for him.
- (Isa 40:31) Those who **wait for the LORD** shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Waiting for "That Day" (When the Messiah Comes & Reigns)

- (Isa 25:9) It will be said *on that day*, "Lo, this is our God; we have **waited** for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have **waited**"
- (Isaiah 11.10) **On that day** the root of Jesse (the Messiah) shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.
- (Isaiah 17.7) **On that day** people will regard their Maker, and their eyes will look to the Holy One of Israel;
- Zechariah 2.11 **On that day** Many nations shall join themselves to the Lord, and shall be my people; and I will dwell in your midst. And you shall know that the Lord of hosts has sent me to you.

Waiting for Jesus' Return

- (Tit 2:13) we **wait** for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ.
- (Heb 9:28) Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly **waiting** for him.

Waiting for a day not just of Spiritual but of Material Transformation

- (Rom 8:23) We ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we **wait** for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.
- (2Pe 3:13,14) In accordance with his promise, we **wait** for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home. Therefore, beloved, while you are **waiting** for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish.

- (Jas 5:7) **Be patient, therefore**, beloved, until the coming of the Lord.
- (2 Peter 3.8) Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day.