

Psalms 25:5

***Lead me in Your truth and teach me,
For You are the God of my salvation;
On You I wait all the day.***

I remember over 20 years ago when my daughter was just a baby. She loved oatmeal, but she didn't understand that it took time to make it. All she knew was that she was hungry. Also as a little baby, when she wanted her bottle, she wanted it now. She didn't realize that it took time to put the formula in the bottle or even the 30 seconds to warm it up in the microwave. Those 30 seconds seemed like eternity to her, but we as adults think that 30 seconds to warm-up a baby bottle is no time at all.

But don't we sometimes act like little babies in our prayer time? We cry out to God asking Him for things and wonder why we don't get instant service. After all, we have Keurig coffee makers and have our coffee ready in 2 minutes. We have our pizza delivered in 30 minutes or less. We go to a drive-through fast-food restaurant where we talk into a speaker and tell it what we want to eat, and by the time we drive up to the window, our food is ready. We can have our oil changed, our windows washed, and all the fluids checked in our cars in less than 20 minutes. We call my brother-in-law "One Click" because he is known as doing "One Click" to buy things from Amazon. And we all love the "One Click" feature on Amazon, because we think "I don't have time to review my order, just send it to me; today if possible." Because in our minds, the faster we can get it, the better.

We are in an age where we don't have time to wait. We want it all now, and if we have to wait, then we will go somewhere where we don't have to wait. So we think, if the world can meet my needs this quickly, then why can't God Almighty do the same thing, or even faster?

So, what have you asked the Lord for lately?
Did you get instant results, or are you (still) waiting for His answer?
Did you get weary in waiting, so you tried other means to get what you wanted?
Have you been going to someone or something else to get what you want?
Is there now a mess to clean up because you couldn't wait?

I wonder what would happen if we actually waited on the Lord the next time we asked Him for something? The answer is that we would be blessed more because we waited on Him. Because waiting on the Lord is actually a blessing, and the results would not end up in a mess.

† ***Psalm 40:1-3 I waited patiently for the LORD; And He inclined to me, And heard my cry. He also brought me up out of a horrible pit, Out of the miry clay, And set my feet upon a rock, And established my steps. He has put a new song***

in my mouth-- Praise to our God; Many will see it and fear, And will trust in the LORD.