

Psalms 62:5

*My soul, wait silently for God alone,
For my expectation is from Him.*

Here is a verse we don't usually hang up on our walls. Why, because it has that dreaded four letter word "**WAIT**" as the verse says to "*wait silently for God.*"

Think about that for a minute. When was the last time you waited silently for God? Maybe you never have. Maybe you spend so much time talking to God or telling others about your problems, that you don't let God get a word in edgewise. You see, when you "*wait silently for God alone*" you have to trust that He will do what's best for you. But we think we know what's best and are quick to tell God what we think is best for us; therefore we are quick to instruct God on how to lead our life instead of "*waiting silently for God alone*" to direct us in the right way..

If you remember reading back in Genesis about Joseph, and how Joseph was thrown into a pit by his brothers, then sold into slavery in Egypt. But in that situation, what if Joseph, while sitting in that pit, started to tell God, "*OK God, here is the plan. You get me out of this pit and send me back home. Then I'll tell my dad what my brothers did to me, and they will be punished, and will have to serve me and bow down to me just like the dream that You gave me showing that they would do, and then I can just kick back and relax.*"

Notice in my example, I added how God had given Joseph a dream about what He (God) was going to do in Joseph's life, and how Joseph ran with that and decided how God was going to do that. Does it sound familiar? Think of what Abraham did with having a child by Hagar instead of Sarah with them both taking what God said He would do for them, and telling God how He was going to do it.

But that's not the way it happened. Joseph waited silently for God's direction, knowing that God had the best planned for him, and not just him, but God also had plans for hundreds of thousands of people who would actually be saved from starvation, simply by Joseph waiting on God, and not giving God instructions.

Maybe there are things going on in your life, and you just can't understand it. You have no idea what God is doing or why He is allowing it to happen to you. But that does not give us an ok to tell God how to resolve the issue in our life. Even if He has made you a promise to do something, it does not give you the right to tell God how He is supposed to do it, because if we knew how to do it, we wouldn't need God. But we don't know how to resolve things in our puny minds; Therefore, we need God and His direction.

Also just remember that if you could understand and know all of God's ways and the whys of everything He does, then He would not be God. But he is GOD and His ways are far from beyond our understanding.

† **Psalm 147:5 (NLT2)** *How great is our Lord! His power is absolute! His understanding is beyond comprehension!*

† **Isaiah 55:9** *For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.*

So next time things are going bad, instead of telling God how He should take care of it, just sit silently and wait on Him and seek His direction. You may not save thousands, but you may save yourself sleepless nights and frustration as well as being a blessing to those around you.

† **Psalm 27:14** *Wait on the LORD; Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the LORD!*