

God Has A Waiting Room Study Guide Interactive questions to be combined with book

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Schedule for Reading:

February: Chapter 1 (only one meeting)

March: Chapter 2-3 (first meeting)
Chapters 4-5 (second meeting)

April: Chapters 6-7 (first meeting)
Chapters 8-9 (second meeting)

May: Chapters 10-11 (first meeting)
Chapters 12-13 (second meeting)

June: Chapter 14 (one meeting)

Chapter 1: Chosen to Take a Seat

1. Have you ever been asked by God to give something that was sacrificial for you? How did you respond to it? Looking back, what did God give you in exchange for your sacrifice?
2. Can you look back on a time in your life when you felt like the disciples in the boat when the storm arose? How did you respond to God in your emergency situation? What would you do differently?
3. Have you ever felt that Jesus is "still sleeping" in your situation? How do you respond when it seems like God is not responding to your prayers? How has it affected your faith?
4. Have you ever had a "God-storm" come into your life? A place you can look back upon and know that God revealed Himself to you in a way you did not know Him before?
5. How do you navigate and find strength during seasons of hardship and trials in your life?

Thoughts to ponder:

Throughout Scripture, men and women of great faith suffered through storms and persecutions during their journey of life. Why should we think our lives should be any different and void of confrontations? It's in these places our faith begins to grow.

Chapter 2: Patients of the Past

1. Have you ever been a patient in God's waiting room? What is the hardest part of sitting in God's waiting room and how do you overcome it?
2. Abraham, the father of faith, made a mistake while he was sitting in God's waiting room, waiting on his promise from God to be fulfilled when he took Sarai's servant Hagar and had a child from her. How does it make you feel knowing that God sees our mistakes and still honors His promise?
3. How has your experience of waiting on a promise contributed to the development of your perspective and resilience in your journey walking with God?
4. What are your feelings when you read about Abraham, Paul, the prophet Habakkuk, Joseph and even Jesus Himself having to take a seat in the waiting room of God?
5. Have you ever had God send His little "love notes" into your life during barren seasons? Share an example.

Thoughts to ponder:

You cannot study or pray your way into the waiting room of God. God chooses you, the timing, the situation and the due date.

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose.

(Romans 8:28, KJV).

Chapter 3: When God Calls Your Name

1. The author states that when you go through the fire, there is no one better to surround yourself with than godly elders. Do you have a godly elder in your life? How have they helped you through hard times?
2. If God has ever given you a Word and spoken a promise into your life, what are some practical tips you could share that have helped you hold on to your faith?
3. The author talks about how a physical house became more than just about a house, but there was something of much greater value attached. Describe a time when a tangible item served as a conduit for a deeper self-discovery by God.
4. Can you share a time when you did not respond correctly in God's waiting room and how you overcame disappointment, discouragement and the attack on your faith?
5. What are some Scriptures that you have clung to during your time of waiting?

Thoughts to ponder:

Real faith is born inside the Child of God who knows God's Word and has complete confidence in that Word – even more than what they are witnessing in the natural.

Forever, O LORD, your word is settled in heaven. Your faithfulness endures to all generations.
(Psalm. 119:89-90, NKJV).

Chapter 4: Strategies of Attack During the Wait

1. Why is satan on a path of vengeance to destroy every born-again Child of God?
2. Have you ever had satan attack your mind and your spirit with bitterness or jealousy while you're sitting in God's waiting room? Were you aware of the attack and how did you respond?
3. The author states the Potter's wheel experience that many times takes place while you're waiting on a promise. Have you had to sit on the Potter's wheel during these times in your life? What advice can you give to someone who may be there now?
4. What is the prized possession our enemy is ultimately after? How do you protect your faith during the waiting?
5. Faith comes in all forms – not just supernatural encounters. What are some ways a Christian woman can demonstrate and release her faith just in her daily walk?

Thoughts to ponder:

During the waiting season you have to determine that no matter what you go through, you're not going to lose your faith. Satan can't have my faith!!

Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering. (Hebrews 10:23)

Chapter 5: How to Respond During the Wait

1. Do your requests that you're making to God in prayer line up with God's Word or do they contradict? What Scripture(s) can you base your request upon?
2. James said, "faith without works is dead being alone ... I will shew thee my faith by my works." (James 2:17) What are some "works" God has revealed to you in response to waiting on His promise?
3. Have you ever had the Lord ask you to do something "in faith" that someone else would have thought ridiculous? Share your experience.

4. The woman with the issue of blood had to “push through” the crowd of people to touch Jesus. We must push through spiritual opposition sometimes in order to touch Jesus. What would you consider some of the biggest spiritual hindrances?
5. Paul said, “For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory.” What does this Scripture speak to you?

Chapter 6: The Works of God’s Word

1. Have you ever gone through “setbacks” in your walk of faith? Times when you are believing God for something specific and then the opposite happens? How have you responded in those times? Looking back, what would you have changed?
2. Jesus said, “If you abide in Me and MY WORDS abide in you – THEN you shall ask what you will, and it shall be done unto you.” Share some Scriptures you are basing your requests and needs upon.
3. Mark 11:22 states, “And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God.” What does the Aramaic translation say? What does this mean to you?
4. What happens when *God’s faith* steps on the scene of your life and carries you through?
5. What did this chapter teach you about the power of God’s Word?

Chapter 7: The Works of Praise

1. Has the Lord ever instructed you to give Him a “sacrifice of praise”? Praising Him in the midst of disappointment and misunderstanding. Share your experience and what it did for you in the moment.
2. What takes place spiritually when a person unleashes the sacrifice of praise in the middle of a setback?
3. According the testimony of Nona Freeman, what did the Lord tell her to quit doing if she wanted a miracle? What does this speak to you?
4. When you give God the sacrifice of praise outwardly, what message are you sending?
5. What did this chapter teach you about the power of praise?

Chapter 8: The Works of Confession

1. What does confession mean?
2. Have you ever been instructed by the Holy Ghost to speak and declare faith in the midst of those who did not share your faith? How did you navigate through this?

3. Satan knows if he can silence our mouths, he can silence what?
4. Nona Freeman released a spiritual secret when she said she praised God out of obedience and not out of emotion. As she began to obey God, then the feelings came. Have you ever had an experience like this?
5. What did this chapter teach you about the power of confession?

Chapter 9: The Works of Prayer

1. Share your personal experience regarding your faith journey. What did God teach you along the way – before you received the answer to your prayer.
2. What are some spiritual treasures you have picked up while being seated in God's waiting room? What has patience taught you?
3. What is the very fuel that keeps your faith alive on a daily basis?
4. What was the real purpose of God asking Abraham to sacrifice his son?
5. What did this chapter teach you about the power of prayer?

Chapter 10: The Works of Time

1. What does it mean to "release time" to God?
2. Why is it important for us to surrender TIME to God when we are waiting for an answer? What does it release us from?
3. What does the word "comforter" mean to us in John 14:16? Have you ever experienced the supernatural support from the Comforter? Share your experience of times you were carried by God.
4. What is the significance of "red lights" in our lives?
5. What did this chapter teach you about the power of releasing time to God?

Chapter 11: Disappointment in God

1. Are you glad the topic of harboring disappointment in God was exposed and discussed in this chapter? Why or why not? In what way did it help you?
2. Have there been moments when you have felt let down or betrayed by God? If so, how did those emotions impact your relationship with the Lord compared to now?

3. Share a specific moment when you have felt disappointed with a decision God made. What steps have you taken personally to reconcile or expose and deal with those emotions? How have you protected your faith?
4. How do you handle doubts and the questioning voices when you are faced with a prayer that has not been answered or apparent silence from God?
5. Why is it so important to get rid of disappointment?

Chapter 12: Let the Stones Speak

1. According to the author, what is the purpose that God allows us to go through trials?
2. What is the insight the author shares regarding Luke 11:7 when it comes to God responding to our needs?
3. What is the one spiritual possession that can be transferred from generation to generation?
4. In your own words, what are the dangers of “inherited religion”?
5. What is the true purpose of supernatural manifestations of God’s power being released in our lives?

Chapter 13: At Thy Word: When God Changes Seasons

1. Have you ever had an experience when you knew God had answered YOUR prayers? Not you pastors, your mothers, or your spouse ... but your prayers! Please share how it made you feel.
2. When you are in a season of waiting, what is the determining factor of bringing “your” season to pass?
3. Share a personal experience on how the waiting period affected and shaped you spiritually. Did the answer God gave align with your expectation? Explain.
4. How has the process of waiting influenced your understanding of divine timing and trust in God’s plan for your life?
5. Can you agree with the fact that the night always gets darkest before dawn?

Chapter 14: Remembering to Build an Altar

1. What is your new definition of God’s blessings?
2. Share the lessons you have learned regarding the author’s assertion, “growth emerges during times of weakness, brokenness, vulnerability and loneliness.”

3. In times of personal tragedy or loss, have you found it challenging to reconcile the concept of a loving and all-powerful God, considering the difficulties you have faced? How has this affected your faith?
4. Do you have any “rock of remembrances” you are able to pass down to your children? What are they? How did your child respond?
5. What spiritual secrets would you pass on to a fellow Christian who is presently in God’s waiting room? What are some things that helped your faith endure?