



CONSCIOUS AND INTENTIONAL MINISTRY: MINISTRY TO ME

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Thessalonians 5:23

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TEXT: PSALM 40:1-3

TITLE: AS WE WAIT ON THE LORD, TRUST HIM

INTRODUCTION

- A. How many of us know What it is like to wait? _____
- B. Our God is all-powerful and there is nothing He cannot do. _____
- C. Yet we are told to wait on God. _____
- D. Definition of Wait _____
 - 1. To expect, hope for, tarry
 - 2. It means passively sitting, waiting on the Lord, and trusting Him.
- E. Other references for waiting: _____
 - 1. **Psalm 27:14**, *Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.*
 - 2. **Isaiah 40:31**, *But those who wait on 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.*
- F. Can we trust God? _____
- G. Do we trust God? _____

ALTHOUGH DAVID HAD TO WAIT ON THE LORD, THE LORD WAS ACTIVELY LISTENING

- A. I waited **patiently** for the LORD. _____
- B. And He **inclined** to me and heard my cry. (God was bent over listening to David) _____
- C. We all know what it is like to wait on the Lord. _____
- D. We all know what it is like when you know the Lord is listening. _____

GOD BROUGHT DAVID OUT OF A STICKY, DARK PLACE IN HIS LIFE

- A. He also brought me up out of a **horrible pit**. (a cistern) _____
- B. Out of the **miry clay**. (A muddy place, calamity) _____
- C. And set my feet **upon a rock**. David lost his footing, but God helped David regain his strong footing _____

DAVID HAD A REASON TO PRAISE GOD AND OTHERS BENEFITED

- A. He (God) has put a new song in my mouth _____
- B. Praise to our God. God will aid you to praise Him. _____
- C. Many will see it and fear, and will trust the Lord. The praise from David was not just about David, but others will benefit from David's testimony. _____
- D. Can we **honestly** say we trust in the LORD? _____

SUMMARY: GOD IS ALWAYS LISTENING TO US WHEN WE PRAY

- A. No matter what we are dealing with, we can always trust in the LORD. _____
- B. He is always listening to us when we pray. God will respond to our cry. _____
- C. When God does respond, we will have a reason to praise Him. _____
- D. And others will benefit _____