



WAIT FOR THE LORD

1. Happiness is promised to those who wait for the LORD (Isa. 30:18).
2. Two words in Hebrew teach the principle of waiting for the LORD.

Hakah (חָקָה) is used of

- a. waiting for morning light (2 Kings 7:9),
- b. raiders waiting in ambush (Hos. 6:9),
- c. waiting for death (Job 3:21),
- d. waiting for a future time (Dan. 12:12).

Qavah (קָוָה) is used of

- a. waiting for grape vines to produce grapes (Isa. 5:2, 4),
- b. a hired man eagerly waiting to receive his wages (Job 7:2),
- c. waiting for sympathy (Psa. 69:20),
- d. waiting for light (Job 30:26; Jer. 13:16),
- e. waiting for peace (Jer. 8:15; 14:19),
- f. waiting for justice (Isa. 5:7; 59:11),
- g. waiting in ambush (Psa. 56:6; 119:95),
- h. rain that does not wait for any man (Micah 5:7).

3. Wait for God to

- a. act (Isa. 64:4),
- b. fulfill a prophecy (Hab. 2:3),
- c. answer your prayers (Psa. 40:1),
- d. send rain (Jer. 14:22),
- e. avenge you (Prov. 20:22),
- f. judge the wicked (Zeph. 3:8),
- g. usher in the Kingdom and Eternal State (Isa. 25:9).

4. Wait for God's

- a. will and guidance (Psa. 106:13),
- b. help and protection (Psa. 33:20).

5. The LORD is good to those who wait for Him (Lam. 3:25; cf. Isa. 33:2).
6. Be strong and courageous while waiting for the LORD (Psa. 27:12–14).
7. You will not be put to shame by your enemies if you wait for the LORD (Psa. 25:1–3).
8. You will gain new strength from waiting and not worrying (Isa. 40:29–31).
9. Wait for the LORD continually all day long (Psa. 25:5; Hos. 12:6).

Pray...have faith...be courageous...keep waiting...relax, rest, and be happy!