

How To Be Thankful In God's Waiting Room

A review of Dr. Guy Goodell's book "God's Waiting Room – How God uses delays to develop the believer"

A Crash Course with 3 Points 1) The waiting room is for your growth 2) for your benefit, 3) for God's will's best fit.

Exhibit A Psalms 37 to Rest in the Lord and WAIT patiently

1. No Fretting in the waiting room
2. Trust God "Patience is trusting God's timing"
3. Delight Thyself
4. Commit and stay committed
5. Rest Wait vr 7, 25, 34

Exhibit B Lam 3:22-26

1. Mercies is plural for a reason – there are numerable flaws
2. God's Compassion fills this waiting room vr 22
3. God's Faithfulness fills this waiting room vr 23
4. A personal relationship with God sustains us vr 24
5. The waiting room is a place of HOPE vr 24-25
6. Seek him vr 25 Highly active verb includes following, asking, inquiring after, diligently researching
7. Quietly WAIT – hbrw meanings 1) gathering, anticipating, collecting, twisting together 2) silently and quietly listening, eliminating all distractions

Exhibit C Romans 8:26-29 ... a fresh new look

1. We have weaknesses (infirmities) – the waiting room is not a place of inactivity- learn weaknesses and develop strengths
2. The Holy Ghost is very busy in the waiting room
3. EVERYTHING in our lives cooperates together, works together, adds synergism.... So COOPERATE!
 - I. We KNOW with certain knowledge
 - II. God has unrestricted access to all things
 - III. Life is filled with cooperative nuggets – Bible readings, prayer, meditations, preachers, church, friends, hostility, flat tires, et.al.
4. The Good (Not so you can witness to a nurse!) so you can be conformed vr 29 That's the goal!
5. To them who are called – Saved people have a waiting room.