

# What Happens When We Hear the Word...Wait!

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## Scripture:

Genesis 15:1-17:22

## From the Introduction:

God will always do what is best for us. He is a faithful loving Father, who always wants us to have the very best. When God says to wait, and we don't wait we are missing his perfect will for our lives.

- 1) God's timing has no \_\_\_\_\_ (Gen 15:1-9).
  - a) It is God's timing that bring s great \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b) You and I can \_\_\_\_\_, because it is God's master plan.
- 2) God's timing is always \_\_\_\_\_ (Gen 16).
  - a) Steadfast \_\_\_\_\_ His mercy.
  - b) Do not take \_\_\_\_\_ into your own hands.
- 3) God's timing has lasting \_\_\_\_\_ (Gen 17:1-9).
  - a) Encountering God will always bring \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b) With God's promises come \_\_\_\_\_.

## **Remember:**

<sup>10</sup> 'Do not fear, for I am with you;  
Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God.  
I will strengthen you, surely I will help you,  
Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.'  
Isaiah 41:10 (ESV)

## **Reflect:**

“Trust in God’s timing. It’s better to wait a while and have things fall into place than to rush and have things fall apart.” - Unknown

## **Seek:**

In Genesis 17, Yahweh establishes his covenant promise with Abraham, which is fulfilled in Jesus Christ. God remained faithful in his promise to Abraham, and will remain faithful in His promise to you. What does it mean to your relationship with Christ to know that God will remain faithful in His promise?

## Share:

When faced with the improbable, Abraham believed. Genesis 15:6 states, “<sup>6</sup> And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.” Take a moment to reflect on a time when you faced the improbable and believed. What impact did it have on your relationship with the Lord?

## **Serve:**

Our part of keeping God's covenant involves sharing the truth of His Son with others. How are you fulfilling your half of the covenant? What changes might you need to make in order to be a covenant keeper?

## **Pray:**

Ask God how you can best serve Him in the coming week. Earnestly seek Him, and commit to honoring your half of the covenant promise you made with Christ as salvation.