

Session 4 Viewer Guide

Discussion Questions

1. How has God brought you through delays in the past? What lessons did you learn about yourself and about God while you were waiting?
2. Review the Bible verses in the lesson outline. Which verse is the most meaningful to you at this time in your life? Why?
3. What is one thing you can change about your schedule or your expectations so that you are not tempted to try to rush God in the delay phase?
4. What do you need to change about your attitude as you spend time in God's waiting room?

Prayer Direction

If you are in the delay phase of faith, call on the Lord as your Sustainer (see Psalm 54:4). Ask him to give you patience and hope and to hold you up when you grow weary. Before you pray for each other's requests, take a few minutes to offer prayers of thanksgiving for God's blessings in your life.

Putting It into Practice

Remembering the things God has done in the past will build your faith as you face your current situation. Take ten minutes during a quiet time this week, and make a list that summarizes all the things God has done for you.

God is never in a hurry. We have no record in the New Testament that Jesus ever ran anywhere. God can do things immediately, and sometimes he does. But he is working on a much larger agenda than our timeframe. The delays that come into our lives do not destroy God's purposes. Rather, they fulfill God's purposes.