

Patience

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MESSAGE

Watch the sermon. As you watch, use the outline to follow along or take notes on anything that stands out to you.

NOTES

Patience is a form of action

- Patience with others is LOVE
- Patience with self is HOPE
- Patience with God is FAITH

How do we grow in patience?

1. Accept discomfort (James 1:2-3)

2. Practice the discipline of forgiveness (Ephesians 4:2)
 - The patient person gives God time to act
 - The patient person considers the consequences before he/she acts

3. There is purpose in the process: (Galatians 6:9; Proverbs 14:29)
 - Increase your pain capacity
 - Increase your relationship capacity
 - Increase your exposure capacity
 - Increase your character capacity

REFLECT and DISCUSS

1. Take a few minutes to talk about the message. Is there any part of the message that specifically stood out to you?
2. How can the fruit of the Spirit, particularly patience, impact your personal growth and relationships?
3. Respond to this statement: *"Gaano ka man ka-tama, kung habang pinapatunayan mong ikaw ay tama ay mukha ka namang may tama, mali ka pa rin."* (Translation: No matter how right you are, if you look deranged/unhinged while proving you're right, you're still wrong.)
4. Patience involves engaging both the people and the process. Which do you find more challenging? Why is that so? What steps are you taking to grow in your patience?
5. How does trusting God's timing challenge your natural inclination when your prayers seem unanswered? Discuss ways that can help you continue to have faith in His plan.

PRAYER

Close your time together with prayer.