

**What is the difference between waiting and waiting for the Lord?**

**How do we wait for the Lord?**

1. Look for a \_\_\_\_\_. (1, 11-12, 17-21, 24)
2. Remember that the Lord has \_\_\_\_\_. (7-10)
3. Shout praises to God because He has given us what we need to receive \_\_\_\_\_. (13-16)

**Questions for Discussion/Reflection**

1. From what are you waiting for the Lord to deliver you? Are you waiting or waiting for the Lord? What are the Egypts to which you are tempted to look for deliverance?
2. How can we look through our current need for deliverance to the ultimate deliverance God will bring when He establishes His kingdom?
3. Have you ever had a situation where you wondered why God waited so long to deliver you? If that deliverance came how did you think about this situation after? Did you gain any perspective on your waiting?
4. What do you think it means that our suffering is producing in us an eternal weight of glory? What will that look like when it comes to pass? (2 Corinthians 4:16-17)
5. For what do you most often thank God? How does thanking Him first and most for the righteousness you have in Christ shape our lives differently?