The Call To Patience
What To Do When Your Patience Runs Out

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• **Read:** James 5:7-11

• **Be Patient When You Are Getting Ripped Off**

• **Be Patient Until Jesus Christ Returns**
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• Not Everything In This Life Will Be Easy And Comfortable

• John 16:33 (NIV) "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

• Acts 14:22 (NIV) "We must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of God..."
What Is Patience?

• **PATIENCE** = To Be Long Tempered
  (Patience In Dealing With People)

• **PERSEVERANCE** = Endurance Under Great Stress
  (Patience In Dealing With Situations)
The Farmer Is Patient (5:7-9):

• The Farmer Is Willing To Wait Because The Harvest Is Valuable

• Farmers Stay Busy

• Farmers Don't Fight With Neighbors
The Prophets Are Patient

- They *Were In God’s Will Yet They Suffered*

- *Suffering In Your Life May Not Be Due To Unfaithfulness It May Be Due To Faithfulness*
Job Was Patient

• There Is **No Perseverance Without A Trial**
• There Are **No Victories Without Battles**
• There Are **No Mountain Tops Without Valleys**
Job Teaches Us:

- God May Have **A Higher Purpose For Suffering** Than The Punishing Of Sin

- God **Was Glorified** & Job **Was Purified Through His Difficult Experience**
Job Teaches Us:

• **Some Trials In Life Are Caused By Satanic Opposition**

• **God Will Not Allow Us To Be Tested Above What We Can Bear**
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• In The Midst Of A Battle When Our Patience Has Run Out ... We Can Go To The Throne Of Grace And Receive From The Lord

• (Heb 4:14 NIV) Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. (15) For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are--yet was without sin. (16) Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.
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• We Must Know That:

• 1.) **God Has A Purpose**

• 2.) **He Will Work Out His Purpose In His Time --- For His Glory**
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• James = Encouragement To Be Patient In Times Of Suffering

• Like The Farmer  Wait For A Harvest

• Like The Prophet  Look To Share God’s Truth

• Like Job  Wait For God To Fulfill His Purpose

• Be Patient For The Lord Is Coming!