

# the artful life



## Living Patiently James 5:7-12

James 1:2-4 (NIV) 2 Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, 3 because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. 4 Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

1 - Be Patient as we wait for God's \_\_\_\_\_

2 - Be Patient and \_\_\_\_\_

3 - Be Patient and Don't \_\_\_\_\_

4 - Be Patient in \_\_\_\_\_

5 - Be Patient in what \_\_\_\_\_

# GROWTH *guide*

*For those who are passionate about their faith!*

**Living artfully means living patiently, or being able to hang in there and wait when you really don't want to. Patience, endurance and perseverance are all closely related. This week's passages explore these concepts.**

**Through the New Testament in 2018:** Philippians 1-4, Colossians 1

Monday | **Romans 5:1-5**

For what reasons are we to rejoice in our sufferings? What should be the result of persevering? What are you experiencing right now that God might be using to do something bigger in you?

Tuesday | **Psalms 37:3-9**

Are you living with an injustice right now? And waiting for God to do something? What encouragement does the Psalmist provide? What instruction? How can you put it into practice?

Wednesday | **2 Timothy 2:1-10**

What hardships have you had to endure because you are a Christ-follower? What do the illustrations of the soldier, athlete and farmer teach about endurance?

Thursday | **Hebrews 10:36-11:2**

How does living by faith help us live patiently? How can waiting grow your faith? How does a "long view" of faith help in the moment?

Friday | **Romans 8:18-25**

What are we ultimately waiting for? Is it hard for you to find hope in the waiting? What steps might you take to be more hopeful? What promise can you lean into?

Sunday preview | **James 5:13-20**

How does living a life of prayer make life better? What worries, stresses, fears, etc. can you / should you pray about?