

WAIT AND PRAY

Acts 1:12-14

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Intro – Be patient, God will reveal His will. It may be through a Bible verse, devotional, other people, even a TV show.

I. Waiting takes an act of obedience.

A. They did what Jesus told them to do. Acts 1:4

1. Today we have do not have to wait for the HS. Acts 2:38

2. We still wait for His return. Jn 14:3, Acts 1:11, Phil 3:20, 1Th 1:10,

B. They waited for the guiding of the Holy Spirit.

1. It's a problem to move ahead of the Spirit. Ps.51:17,19

2. The Holy Spirit always uses God's word to guide us. John 14:26, 16:13-14

II. Waiting is not compromise.

A. To move before God reveals His will is foolish. 1Sam.13:13-14,

B. God will reveal His will. Ps.40:1, 1Cor.2:12

C. To not move when His will is revealed will compromise your spiritual life. Mt.7:26

III. Waiting results in a Spirit guided life. James 1:4

A. Praying for the Lord's work to succeed. 1Thes.5:17

B. Knowing God's will. Gal,1:10

C. They were empowered to preach the gospel. Acts 4:31

Con. - Take time to read God's word, pray for His guidance and wait until you know His will clearly before moving forward or carrying out the plan.