

## *Waiting Time is not Wasted Time*

Waiting time is not wasted time. Matters of importance are being worked out in us, for us, and around us while we wait. Waiting is a necessary part of getting a Fresh Start.



"Learn how to wait. 'I've started to realize that waiting is an art, that waiting achieves things,' Dennis Wholey writes in his book *The Courage to Change*.

The people who are most content, most peaceful, and most successful are people who learn how to wait. We cannot always have what we want when we want it but that doesn't mean we can never have it. When the tide is right your ship will arrive.

Wait. Don't rush. Don't force matters. Don't quit. Be patient. Though you can't have what you want today, regardless of how hard you try, you may be able to have tomorrow with little effort. "Today, we would make ourselves crazy trying to accomplish what will come naturally and with ease later," according to Melody Beattie in *The Language of Letting Go*.

Timing is everything. There is a reason why you must wait. When the time is right the door will open, the path will be made clear, the needed resources will become available.

In the meantime, be grateful for what you have today. Be content with the way things are now. Learn, as Paul learned, "to be content in any and every situation" (Philippians 4:12).

Be patient. What seems urgent today will likely be unimportant tomorrow. Don't get in a hurry. Waiting helps you sort out the urgent from the important. What's urgent is rarely important. What's important is rarely urgent.

As you wait be assured that God is at work. He doesn't want to make you wait longer than is necessary. Wait on Him. You will be glad you did.