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Charles Stanley's Life Principle #14
God acts on behalf of those who wait for Him.

PRAYER FOCUS: _____

Water – still or not?

If water is still in a glass, is there still movement within?

What happens when you place food coloring in the glass?

What does the food coloring do to the water as we let the glass sit still?

The Spiritual Rewards of Waiting on the Lord

1. *We discover God's will and purpose in the things that most concern us.*

Lamentations 3:25 says, "*The LORD is good to those who wait for Him, to the person who seeks Him.*" From this verse, what do you think it means to "wait on the Lord?"

2. *We receive supernatural energy and strength.*

Isaiah 40:28-31: What does this passage promise to the person who waits on the Lord?

3. *We win battles.*

Acts 1:8: The disciples were encouraged and excited after the resurrection of Christ. Why did Jesus tell them to wait before sharing the gospel with the world?

Acts 2:41-47: What was the fruit of their obedience?

Have you ever felt ready to act, and yet sensed God wanted you to wait? If so, describe your response and the outcome.

4. *We see the fulfillment of our faith.*

Recall, the life of Joseph

What unfair suffering did Joseph experience?
(Gen. 37:24; 39:1, 20)

What was Joseph's final position in Egypt? (Gen. 41:39-40)

5. *We see the Father working on our behalf.*

Isaiah 64:4: What is God doing while we are waiting on Him?

We have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will,
Ephesians 1:11