

Waiting
11/30/25

Day 1 — God Is Working in the Silence

Scripture: John 5:17 — *“My Father is always at His work to this very day, and I too am working.”*

Reflection

When heaven feels quiet, we often assume God has left the room. Yet Jesus reminds us that the Father is *always* working. During the 400 silent years between Malachi and Matthew, God was arranging history—preparing language, roads, and hearts for the arrival of Jesus.

The same God is preparing something in you right now. Silence doesn’t mean absence; it often means construction.

Questions

1. When have you mistaken God’s silence for His absence?

2. What unseen ways might God be preparing you—or others—during this season?

3. How can you practice trusting that He’s “still typing” even when you can’t see it?

Day 2 — Faith That Holds in the Quiet

Scripture: Hebrews 11:1 — “*Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.*”

Reflection

The Greek word translated *certain* (ἐλέγχος, *elenchos*) means conviction without visible proof. Real faith is forged when the lights go out. The heroes in Hebrews 11 waited—some their entire lives—and never saw the full promise, yet they kept believing. Faith isn’t pretending we aren’t afraid; it’s choosing to trust even while afraid.

Questions

1. What current situation is stretching your faith the most?
2. How can you anchor your feelings to God’s truth, as David did in Psalm 56?
3. What’s one promise from Scripture you can cling to in this waiting season?

Day 3 — When Waiting Deepens Wonder

Scripture: John 1:14 — *“The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us.”*

Reflection

After centuries of silence, God spoke through a baby’s cry. The delay made the arrival breathtaking. Waiting magnifies wonder—like children counting the days to Christmas. The longer we wait, the more clearly we see that God’s timing is never random; His silence builds anticipation for His glory to break through.

Questions

1. How has a past season of waiting increased your gratitude for what God eventually did?
2. What “birth” might God be preparing through your current silence?
3. How can you celebrate small signs of His work while you wait for the larger answer?

Day 4 — Hope in the Quiet

Scripture: Lamentations 3:25-26 — *“The LORD is good to those whose hope is in Him... it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.”*

Reflection

The Hebrew word for “wait quietly,” **דָּמָם (dumam)**, means *to rest in calm stillness*. Hope isn’t loud optimism; it’s steady trust. Waiting quietly is not passivity—it’s worshipful confidence that God is faithful even when unseen.

Our silence can become sacred space where faith takes root.

Questions

1. What internal “noise” keeps you from hearing God in quiet moments?
2. How could you build regular times of silent, hope-filled waiting into your week?
3. What might God be forming in your character as you learn to rest instead of rush?

Day 5 — God’s Silence Is Never the End of the Story

Scripture: Psalm 27:13-14 — *“I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living. Wait for the LORD; be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD.”*

Reflection

David wrote these words during a season when nothing in his life looked like “goodness.” He was hunted, discouraged, and surrounded by uncertainty. Yet he makes one of the boldest declarations in Scripture: *“I remain confident... I will see the goodness of the Lord.”*

David wasn’t confident because his circumstances were good—he was confident because **his God was good**. His faith wasn’t anchored in what he could see; it was anchored in who he knew God to be.

Waiting often feels like unanswered prayers and unseen progress, but Psalm 27 reminds us that waiting is not a pause in God’s plan—it’s part of it. God’s silence does not mean the story is over. It means the Author is still writing.

There is hope in the waiting because God has never once abandoned His people. Not in Scripture. Not in history. Not in your life.

If God was faithful to David, He will be faithful to you.

If David could say, *“I will see the goodness of the Lord,”* then so can you—no matter how quiet the season feels.

Questions

1. Where in your life do you need to echo David’s confidence: “I WILL see the goodness of God”?
2. What fears or assumptions creep in when you don’t hear God speaking?
3. How does remembering God’s past faithfulness strengthen your heart for today’s waiting?