

## **Waiting Patiently for the Lord Psalm 119:81-88**

### **Introduction**

Because we are trusting Jesus Christ, God will always fulfill all his promises to us. But that does not mean God will always fulfill his promises WHEN we want him to. And during those delays, it's hard to wait patiently. To help us wait patiently, God gives us this passage in Psalm 119. The psalmist had been slandered by wicked men. He had prayed that God would deliver him. But God had not yet delivered him. So here are nine ways that he prays. I will explain them, and then we will take time here to actually pray them right now —

**He tells God he longs to be delivered from the trial. (81)**

**He tells God that he is hoping in God's word. (81)**

And call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me. (Psalm 50:15)

**He seeks comfort from God and asks when it will come. (82)**

**He tells God how this is affecting him. (83)**

**He humbly asks God how long this has to go on. (84)**

**He tells God the details of the problem. (85)**

**He asks for God's help. (86)**

**He tells God he has not forsaken his word. (87)**

**He asks for fresh spiritual life so he can keep strong in faith. (88)**



## **HOME GROUP DISCUSSION OF SUNDAY'S TEACHING**

*(Sometimes in our home groups we talk about Sunday's teaching, so we can work together on responding to God's Word — asking questions, sharing insights, talking together.)*

What are some situations in which you are waiting for God to work?

What temptations have you faced as you have been waiting?

What have you done about these temptations?

What did God do in your heart Sunday morning as you prayed over these verses?

Which verse was most powerful?

Which was most puzzling?

Maybe take time as a Home Group to pray over these verses again. Or maybe lay hands on those who are struggling to wait on gone, and trade these verses over them.

