



The Lord knows your breakthrough is taking a long time. He is waiting, too.

He knows the enemy has tried to wheedle his way in and get you on the merry-go-round of doubt: Is it because I still haven't learned my lesson? Is it punishment? Is it because I don't deserve what I've been hoping for? Is it because someone else needs the answer more than I do? Is it because I'm too stupid to figure out the answers?

The Lord knows the lies and accusations you've been wrestling with. Here's some truth to hang onto: He is giving you the wisdom you need as you abide.

He doesn't love anyone else more than He loves you. He's not playing favorites. His provision has no limits. He doesn't have to choose between needs to fill. His timing is protecting you from things you don't know about, and preparing you for more than you imagine.

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him. But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

— James 1:5-8

You don't have to know what you're doing when the Lord tells you to do it. You don't have to wait until you have it all figured out. In fact, a lot of people do it that way but it's just disobedience pretending to be responsible.

Yes, do some research. Figure out your first step. But if He tells you Go, then do it asap. Your joy is at stake. Show Him you can be trusted with the little things so He knows you are ready to steward the bigger things you're asking for, too.





You can do the thing He's calling you to today. The big, brave thing, the small, annoying thing. The new unfamiliar thing. The strong, steady, obedient thing.

He's holding favor for you as you trust Him. He moves mightily on your behalf and loves your heart that pursues Him and chooses His ways over your own preferences. He is taking that surrender and molding your desires so they align with His, making it easier and easier to hear Him and know the way to go.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

Oh, fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack!

The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

What man is there who desires life and loves many days, that he may see good?

Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit.

Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

— Psalm 34:2, 9-15

Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

— John 15:4-5

The Lord is not waiting for your perfection or performance to deliver you. He did not bring breakthrough or deliverance or answers to people in the Bible because they checked off all the boxes. He doesn't deliver because we are perfect, but because He is.

