

Patience & Gentleness | Different, Pt. 3

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The Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: **love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.** [Galatians 5:22-23 \(NLT\)](#)

Patience: "**makrothymia**": to remain tranquil and self-controlled under pressure or provocation.

Gentleness: "**praotes**": strength rooted in humility and meekness.

Dear brothers and sisters, **when troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy**. For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for **when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.** [James 1:2-4 \(NLT\)](#)

► Patience and gentleness are markers of .

Patience and gentleness empowers us to ...

1. for God.

But **those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength**. They shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint. [Isaiah 40:31 \(NKJV\)](#)

2. through trials.

Therefore, since we are **surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith**, let us strip off every weight that slows us down. And **let us run with endurance** the race God has set before us. [Hebrews 12:1 \(NLT\)](#)

But Joseph replied, "Don't be afraid of me. Am I God, that I can punish you? **You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good.** He brought me to this position so I could save the lives of many people. No, don't be afraid. I will continue to take care of you and your children." **So he reassured them by speaking kindly to them.** [Genesis 50:19-21 \(NLT\)](#)

3. to understand.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us.

We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honor beside God's throne. **Think of all the hostility he endured from sinful people; then you won't become weary and give up.** [Hebrews 12:1-3 \(NLT\)](#)

Talk It Over

1. [James 1:2-4](#) says: trials produce endurance. How can we reframe frustrating situations as opportunities for God to grow patience in us?

2. In your relationships, what does gentleness look like in practice—with your family, coworkers, or people who disagree with you?

For your own notes:

Daily Bible Readings

Monday—Romans 4//**Tuesday**—[Romans 5:1-11](#)

Wednesday—[Romans 5:12-21](#)//**Thursday**—Romans 6

Friday—Romans 7//**Saturday**—[Romans 8:1-18](#)

Sunday—[Romans 8:19-39](#)

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Service Times:

Saturday @ **6:15pm**

Sunday @ **10:00am + 11:45am + 1:30pm**