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TO BECOME LIKE JESUS



PATIENCE

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and endure patiently
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pressures of life.

Key Question

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Key Verse

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Proverbs 14:29 (NIV)



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Key Idea

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Love is

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.

1 Corinthians 13:4–8 (NIV)

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How then does God help me deal with frustration, stress and inconvenience?

1. Seek to Understand Before Responding
2. We are all works in progress
3. Patience is a Fruit of the Spirit's Work in Your Life
4. Remember God is Patient with You



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I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. Philippians 1:3–6

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Patience is a Fruit of the Spirit's Work in Your Life

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Galatians 5:22–23 (NIV)



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because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

James 1:3–4 (NIV)



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Remember God is Patient with You

“Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything. And out of pity for him the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt.”

Matthew 18:26-27 (NIV)



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But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt.

Matthew 18:28-30 (NIV)

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Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt.

Matthew 18:32-34 (NIV)

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Bear in mind that our Lord's patience means salvation,

2 Peter 3:15 (NIV)



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