



WAIT FOR THE
LORD

Isaiah 8:17

FAITH AND WAITING

- Unbelief might seem like strong language here (Num. 20:12).
- It is at the very heart of the kind of faith God wants from us (Heb. 11:6).
- It is forgetting Him when everything is “normal” (Isa. 17:10-11; 19:5-8).
- It is moving forward without His guidance (Isa. 30:1-3; cf. Ezra 8:22-23).
- It is forgetting His promises and substituting other promises (Isa. 30:15-18).

LOOKING FOR ANSWERS

- We live in a world of increasingly immediate answers.
- That makes us all the more frustrated when the solutions aren't readily available (1 Sam. 13:8-12).
- What do you do when you cannot find answers (Isa. 8:19-20).
- We must often wait...and then wait some more (Isa. 8:17).

HE WORKS FOR THOSE WHO WAIT

- This is a unique quality among the gods of men (Isa. 46:1-10).
- Our response is also to be unique (Isa. 64:1-4; cf. 1 Kgs. 18:28-29; Ex. 32:6, 19, 25).
- We must wait with the right heart (Isa. 30:18; 5:2-4; 40:31; 51:5).
- We must wait with the right action (Ex. 13:13-15; Phil. 1:21-25).