

## “iWait”

Most of us would rather do anything than wait . Some of us would rather do the wrong thing than wait.

**Introduction:** Wait on the Lord.

### **Acts 1:4**

- a. When God wants to reach the world, his first step is to tell his people to slow down and wait for him.
- b. Why did the disciples have to wait for what God had already promised them?
  1. To rearrange our priorities .
  2. To test our faith even if it takes forever .
  3. To purify our motives .
    - a. The greatest danger they would face is pride !
    - b. Lest they think that everything depended on them, God makes them wait.
    - c. Waiting would force them into a position of humility .

### **Zechariah 4:6**

- a. God wants to bring you to the place where you know that you do not know .
4. To increase our gratitude .
  - a. When God puts us in a position of waiting on him, the answer almost always surprises us.
5. To remind us that he is god and we are not.
  - a. Because God is God and we are not, he often does things that make little sense to us.
  - b. God rarely explains himself or makes the big picture clear.

6. What to do while we wait

a. PRAY Acts 1:14

**Quote: Billy Graham said, "Heaven is full of answers no one ever bothered to ask...God's answer is ready; it's just waiting for our personal and persistent prayer"**

b. STUDY Gods Word Acts 1:16-20

**Quote: John Wycliffe said, "To be ignorant of the Scriptures is to be ignorant of God"**

c. PREPARE Acts 1:21-26

7. What not to do while we wait

**Quote: Henry Blackaby said, "Don't just do something, stand there."**

**At its core, waiting is about becoming more like CHRIST  
and relying on GOD .**

**Conclusion:**

Ultimately they are waiting for JESUS to return.

Acts 1:9-11