

## Bible Study #11

### **PATIENCE (PERSEVERANCE)**

How often do we find ourselves, during times of trial, asking God for “**PATIENCE**” - and please hurry! The word **PATIENCE** means “long-tempered.” It is the opposite of having what is known as a “short fuse.” **Patience** is the ability to contain one's self. It indicates perseverance, endurance, steadfastness, and long-suffering. **Patience** is that calm and unruffled temper with which the good man bears the evils of life, whether they proceed from persons or things.

Begin memorizing **James 1:4**

“But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.” - James 1:4

1. Read **Genesis 6:1-22**. How many people were saved in all from the flood?  
**1 Peter 3:20** \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. Read **Genesis 12:3-4, 17:2, 18:10, and 21:5**. When God makes a promise He keeps it. It took 25 years for God's promise to Abraham to take place. What did Abraham do during this period? **Hebrews 6:15** \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. According to **2 Peter 3:9**, how patient (long-suffering) is the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Patience is bound up in (**1 Corinthians 13:4**) \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Read **Colossians 1:9-11**. As we grow in the knowledge of God, it causes us to be strengthened with all power. For what purpose? **Colossians 1:12** \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. As a child of God you are to clothe yourself with what kind of behavior? **Colossians 3:12,13**  
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7. The Scriptures tell us to be patient with how many people?  
**1 Thessalonians 5:14-15** \_\_\_\_\_  
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8. Just how long are we to be patient with everyone?  
**James 5:7-10** \_\_\_\_\_  
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9. How do we come to acquire patience?  
**Matthew 21:22** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Romans 15:5** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Galatians 5:22** \_\_\_\_\_  
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Patience or long-suffering is part of the fruit that the Holy Spirit gives. We receive the fruit of the Spirit as we walk closely with Jesus, in obedience to Him. God is the author of patience in His servants.

