BIBLE STUDY WORKSHEET

Waiting on God's Timing

Waiting is not wasted when God is forming faithfulness in the present.

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Isaiah 40:31 (KJV)

OPENING PRAYER

God, You know what I have asked for and how long I have waited. Meet me in disappointment. Protect me from hopelessness and rushed decisions. Show me how to be faithful today while trusting You with what has not arrived. Amen.

Name _____ Date _____

PURPOSE OF THIS STUDY

This study makes room for disappointment while helping women wait actively - praying, preparing, obeying, resting, and refusing shortcuts that compromise peace or character.

What I hope God will show me through this study:

Scripture Foundation

1. Isaiah 40:31

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Observation:

2. Psalm 13:1-6

Read this passage slowly. What does it reveal about God, about us, and about a faithful response?

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3. Habakkuk 2:3

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Observation:

4. Lamentations 3:22-26

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Teaching and Truth

1. Lament is still faith

Biblical waiting does not require pretending. We can bring grief, confusion, and longing to God while continuing to seek Him. Honest lament keeps relationship open.

Read and reflect: Psalm 13:1-6

2. Prepare without forcing

Waiting can include learning, planning, saving, healing, and serving. Preparation is faithful; manipulation and panic-driven shortcuts are not.

Read and reflect: Habakkuk 2:3

3. Notice present grace

When all attention is fixed on one unanswered prayer, today's gifts can disappear from view. Gratitude does not cancel longing; it keeps longing from owning every moment.

Read and reflect: Lamentations 3:22-26

TRUTH TO REMEMBER

I can grieve what has not happened, remain faithful today, and trust God without forcing an outcome. Waiting does not make me forgotten.

Which teaching point speaks most directly to your current season?

Personal Reflection

1. What are you waiting for right now?

2. What emotion have you been afraid to admit to God?

3. Is there a faithful preparation step available?

4. What shortcut are you tempted to take?

5. Where can you recognize grace in the present season?

Faith in Action

Choose at least one practice for the coming week.

[ ] Write an honest prayer of lament and trust.

[ ] Choose one preparation step that does not require forcing an outcome.

[ ] Set a boundary around comparison or constant checking.

[ ] Record one evidence of present grace each day this week.

My specific next step:

GROUP DISCUSSION

1. How can we encourage someone who is tired of waiting?

2. What is the difference between active waiting and passivity?

3. How do we avoid promising outcomes God has not promised?

Prayer, Commitment, and Notes

CLOSING PRAYER

Father, renew the strength of every woman who is tired. Give us patience without passivity, hope without denial, and wisdom without rushing. Keep us faithful in the middle. Amen.

SPEAK THIS TRUTH

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My prayer and commitment:

Group notes and prayer requests: