

After THE AMEN

WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU'RE
WAITING TO DO ON GOD

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So, my dear brothers and sisters, be strong and immovable. Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless. 1 Corinthians 15:58 (NLT)

2. My next right step is to love _____ and _____.

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Pray for us, too, that God will give us many opportunities to speak about his mysterious plan concerning Christ. Colossians 4:3a (NLT)

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Discussion Questions

The Next RIGHT STEP

[CONNECT]

Like Abraham, have you ever immediately listened and obeyed God without questioning or wondering what He was up to in your life? Have you ever trusted God that much? Share your experience(s).

[ENGAGE]

What stood out to you from this weekend's message?

[GROW]

Like we discussed last week, waiting for God's answer to our prayer can be challenging. Especially when we feel our prayer is time sensitive. What are some examples of those types of prayers?

Point one from the message talks about our next right step, after the amen, is to pursue Jesus and His ways for us while we're waiting for Him to answer our prayer. What does it look like to pursue Jesus and His ways?

Read Galatians 6:9-10. What does Paul mean by "not getting tired of doing what is good"? What is the 'good' for which he is referring?

Are there specific prayers you've prayed to God for weeks, months, or even years that still haven't been answered? How has your faith been challenged during in the waiting period?

How would our lives change if instead of focusing on our need for which we've prayed, our next right step was to focus on the one who can answer our need? How might your faith grow?

Point two from the message talks about our next right step being to "love God and love others". Jesus said these are the most important commandments by which to live our lives on earth, and Jesus modeled this commandment for us. After the amen, during the wait, what does it look like to love God and love others?

Have you ever found yourself in a very inconvenient and frustrating situation, but at the same time it presented an opportunity for you to share the Good News of Jesus with someone? Share that experience.

[CHALLENGE]

After the 'amen' Jesus wants us to take the next right step. What does that look like for you? What could your next right step be? Once we've surrendered our need and prayer to God, and we've admitted there's nothing we can in our own power, that's when we step back and truly trust that God is in control. Our prayer might not be answered immediately, years from now, or ever. The question is – Are we still going to follow, obey, and pursue Jesus...even while we're waiting?