

**Practice Patience
Relationships – Part 2**
Life Church St. Louis – April 15, 2018
Lead Pastor – Dr. Dan Walker

Proverbs 14:29 (ESV) Whoever is slow to anger has great understanding, but he who has a hasty temper exalts folly.

Proverbs 19:11 (ESV) Good sense makes one slow to anger, and it is his glory to overlook an offense.

Numbers 14:18a (ESV) The LORD is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, forgiving iniquity and transgression ...

1. Be patient with other's _____

Galatians 5:22 (ESV) But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

1A. As God is patient with our _____ actions

Romans 2:4 (NLT) Don't you see how wonderfully kind, tolerant, and patient God is with you? Does this mean nothing to you? Can't you see that his kindness is intended to turn you from your sin?

1B. As God is patient with our lack of _____ actions

Revelation 2:5a (ESV) Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first.

2. Be patient with other's _____

Proverbs 15:1 (ESV) A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

2A. As God is patient with our _____ words

1 Peter 2:23 (ESV) When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly.

2B. As God is patient with our _____ words

Psalms 13:1 (ESV) How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me?

3. Be patient with other's _____

Colossians 1:11 (ESV) May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy,

3A. As God is patient with our _____

Hebrews 4:15 (ESV) For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

3B. As God is patient with our _____ to learn

John 20:27 (ESV) Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe."

Action Plan for This Week

- Have a daily quiet time of Bible reading & prayer.
 - Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun
- Invite a friend for our message series **Relationships** next Sunday.
- How will I obey God's Word this week? _____

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Intro. Why is “slow to anger” a good definition of patience (Proverbs 14:29)?
Give some examples.

What does Proverbs 19:11 teach us about patience?

In what ways is God patient (Numbers 14:18)? Does God’s patience last forever?

1A. How is patience a fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22)?

1B. Why is God patient with our actions (Romans 2:4)?

1C. How should we respond to God’s patience (Revelation 2:5, 2 Peter 3:9)?

1D. What are some situations with other’s actions that try your patience?

2A. How can being patient help defuse an argument (Proverbs 15:1)?

2B. How is Jesus an example of patience in 1 Peter 2:23?

2C. Why does God put up with our critical words (Psalm 13:1)?

2D. How can practicing patience help you be a peace maker in the church family?

3A. Why do we need God’s power to grow in patience and endurance (Colossians 1:11)?

3B. How can we learn to be patient with other people’s weaknesses (Hebrews 4:15)?

3C. How did Jesus respond to Thomas’ slowness to learn (John 20:27)?

3D. How are problems with other people in our lives opportunities to grow in patience?