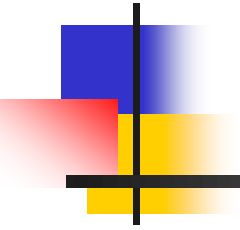


Let's Get Ready to Rumble





Revelation 2 Review

⁴ But I have *this* against you, that you have left your first love. ⁵ Therefore, remember from where you have fallen, and repent, and do the [d]eeds you did at first; or else I am coming to you and I will remove your lampstand from its place—unless you repent.



True Confessions Time

- I don't know about you but I am getting sick and tired of waking up sick and tired.
- Still a lot of anger and confusion everywhere; I am tired of being angry or frustrated or suspicious or outraged
- I am tired of reading about other people acting harsh and vindictive toward others they don't agree with.
- Tired of trying to convince people I am right and they are wrong.
- Don't want to wander from my First Love



God reminded me of Is 40:28-31

Do you not know? Have you not heard?

The Everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth

Does not become weary or tired.

His understanding is unsearchable.

²⁹ He gives strength to the weary,

And to *the one who* lacks might

He increases power.



WAIT – There is More!!

Though youths grow weary and
tired, And vigorous young men
stumble badly,

**31 Yet those who wait for
the Lord Will **gain new strength**;
They will **mount up with wings
like eagles**, They will **run and not
get tired**, They will **walk and not
become weary**.**



Qavah – Active Waiting

Definition

1.to wait, look for, hope, expect

a.(Qal) waiting (participle)

b.(Piel)

1.to wait or look eagerly for

2.to lie in wait for

3.to wait for, linger for

2.to collect, bind together

a.Like braiding fibers to make rope



Waiting with Hope

- Waiting often implies frustration and anxiousness
- Waiting/Hoping **in the Lord** releases confidence and faith and boldness
- Hoping **in the LORD** is what develops in us **strength to endure and run the race**, by keeping your eyes on Him and trusting **Him**
- Waiting = focusing confidently and expectantly **on the Lord**, listening for his voice, knowing that **there is a time of action coming** and when it comes, we will have the power and strength and ability we need to overcome any obstacle!!



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- Mosquito Prayer Word – change focus
- Listen – You are going to hear the sound of a Mighty Rushing Wind, as the power of God comes sweeping through your life and family and this church and this city and the entire region
- Listen – You are going to hear the shouts or VICTORY in the camp!!
- Listening involves waiting, but it prepares us to walk or run or FLY in His strength!



Jesus + Nothing = EVERYTHING

- deeply loved by God,
- fully accepted by God,
- completely and permanently forgiven by God,
- lavishly blessed by God,
- and eternally, perfectly embraced by God as his child; a child who brings Him unspeakable JOY