

Summer  
Series  
2020

WHAT'S  
**vibe** YOUR  
?

As water reflects the face,  
so one's life reflects the  
heart. Proverbs 27:19



# Vibe

noun

*vīb / plural vibes*

A person's emotional state as communicated to others; the atmosphere created by the disposition of our being.

A practical description of a deeply spiritual reality.



# But the Fruit of the Spirit is . . .

1: Love, Joy, Peace:

Fruit For Our Hearts

2: Patience, Kindness, Goodness:

Fruit for Our Relationships

3: Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-Control:

Fruit For Our Battles

**Galatians 5:22-23 (NIV)**



# The Vibe of Patience



**<sup>7</sup>Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains.<sup>8</sup>You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near. <sup>9</sup>Don't grumble against one another, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door!**

**James 5:7-11 (NIV)**



**<sup>10</sup>Brothers and sisters, as an example of patience in the face of suffering, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. <sup>11</sup>As you know, we count as blessed those who have persevered. You have heard of Job's perseverance and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.**

**James 5:7-11 (NIV)**



# Patience

The grace and faith perspective that enables us to suffer hardship without seeking revenge; the virtue of enduring injustice, suffering, and mistreatment while believing God will make all things right. Its opposite is resentment, grumbling, and avoidance.



# The Vibe of Patience

**I'm able to wait for the best from God  
and from people who are in process**



# Kintsugi

*"Gold Fixing"*



- Japanese tradition dating back to the 15th Century
- The art of repairing broken pottery with gold paint
- By embracing flaws and imperfections, you can create an even stronger, more beautiful piece of art



**Patience Waits  
for What's  
Valuable**



**•Let us not become weary in doing good,  
for at the proper time we will reap a  
harvest if we do not give up.**

**Galatians 6:9 (NIV)**



# The Bamboo Tree



**After sowing the seed in the ground and watering it:**

**Year 1: No Growth**

**Year 2: No Growth**

**Year 3: No Growth**

**Year 4: No Growth**

**Year 5: Grows up to 90 feet within one week**



Patience Waits  
for the Lord to  
Make Things  
Right



<sup>22</sup>Jesus has the last word on everything and everyone, from angels to armies. He's standing right alongside God, and what he says goes.”

1 Peter 3:22 (MSG)



**“A man is a hero, not because he is braver than anyone else, but because he is brave for ten minutes longer.”**

**Ralph Waldo Emerson**



**Patience Waits  
by Refusing to  
Grumble**



# Grumbling: Groaning That Arises from Our Flesh

Complaining Groans: discontent at providence

Distrustful Groans: despondency and weakness of mind, unhealthy skepticism

Vindictive Groans: desiring revenge against those who have wronged us

Envious Groans: begrudging the happiness of those who suffered less

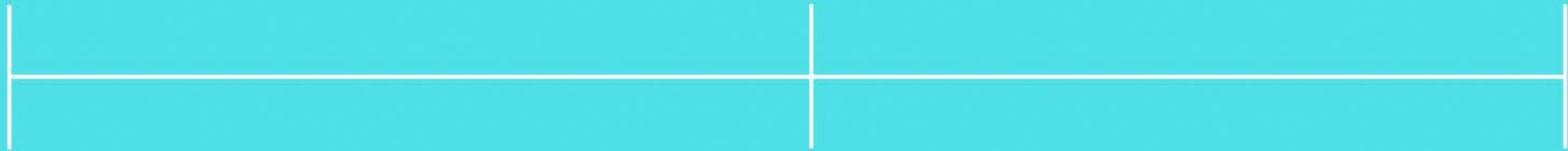


# THE SUFFERING SPECTRUM

INCONVENIENCE

HARDSHIP

PERSECUTION



**The Lord gives the grace of Patience  
at every level of difficulty!**