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Liturgical Date: Year B, Pentecost 6, 4th July 2021

Presenter **Rev Phil Swain**

Focus Readings 2 Samuel 5:1-5

Message 7 minutes 16 seconds **“Waiting, waiting...”**

Discussion Starters

- 1** Do you agree with Phil’s idea that it is the “story behind the story’ that is most important? That the journey is often more meaningful than the end point?
- 2** Are you good at waiting? What things are you waiting for? What does it mean for you to ‘wait upon the Lord’? Do you agree that waiting helps us trust God more?
- 3** How do you or others in your church community respond to people who are impatient? What is a good way that you can grow patience (a fruit of the Spirit) in your church?
- 4** In a world where we want everything to be instantaneous, do you think that society has lost its understanding of the importance of waiting? How can we reteach society to be patient?

Lectionary readings for the day

Psalm 48 This song of Zion celebrates Jerusalem as a place of safety. Jerusalem is a community whose life is to embody how God wants people to live together.

Mark 6:1-13 After Jesus is rejected in Nazareth, Jesus sets out the mission of the twelve. They are to be itinerant charismatics who live off hospitality of those to whom they go as they preach repentance and cast out demons.

2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Paul recounts the ecstatic vision by which God called him and claims that God’s power works through his thorn in the flesh.

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All Age Message **“Wait for it”**

Length 2 Minutes 16 seconds

Precis of AAM

It takes a lot to be patient. Isaiah says, “They that wait upon the Lord...” Sometimes it is in the waiting we find God’s help and strength.

Resources **Uniting in Worship (Blue Book) Psalm 48, page 286-287**

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