

Patience Reconfigures Behavior

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Text: *Psalm 37:3-4; Galatians 5:16-18, 22-25*

Keeping Company with God Transforms Our Desires

- Transformation happens in _____.
- Transformation happens through _____.
- Transformation happens when our desires begin to _____
_____.

Patience and the Spirit-directed Life

- Paul envisions the Holy Spirit as our _____ through transformation.
- The Spirit-directed life follows in the _____.
- Life by the Spirit is _____.

The Wisdom of Patience

Life Enrichment

What about today's teaching challenged, disturbed, or encouraged you?

- In the past week, how have you had to demonstrate patience? What did you find difficult? What did you find easy?
- What does it mean to "keep company with God?"
- Why is keeping company with God so important to our growth in patience?
- When is God able to give us "the desires of our hearts" (Ps 37:4)?
- How can we better align our desires with God's desires?
- Why do you think Paul uses images of walking to explain what it means to live a Spirit-directed life?
- How are you experimenting with the Spirit-directed life? What do you find difficult? What do you find easy?
- What are some ways that growing in patience helps us to set boundaries against sinful desires and passions?
- What role does God's patience toward us play in our ability to establish and maintain boundaries against sinful desires?