

PATIENCE

Waiting until later for what you want now.

MEMORY VERSE

"Wait for the Lord. Be strong and don't lose hope. Wait for the Lord."
Psalm 27:14, NIV

WEEK 1:

Esau's Birthright
Genesis 25:24-34

BOTTOM LINE:

When you think you can't wait, think twice.

WEEK 2:

The Golden Calf
Exodus 32:1-35

BOTTOM LINE:

When you think you can't wait, don't forget what's true.

WEEK 3:

Hannah Prays for a Baby
1 Samuel 1:6-2:1

BOTTOM LINE:

When you think you can't wait, tell God about it.

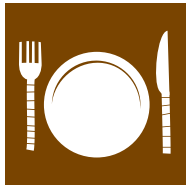
WEEK 4:

Proverbs Principle
Proverbs 14:29

BOTTOM LINE:

When you think you can't wait, don't lose your cool.





MEAL TIME

WEEK 1:

Ask a kid: What is something you want to achieve that is going to take patience?

Ask a parent: Tell about a time when your patience was rewarded.

WEEK 2:

Ask a kid: What is something that you have to wait a long time for?

Ask a parent: What are some things that you think are worth waiting for?

WEEK 3:

Ask a kid: Tell about a time when you weren't patient.

Ask a parent: What are the things that tend to trigger you to lose patience?

WEEK 4:

Ask a kid: What are some things that make you lose your cool?

Ask a parent: How can we protect ourselves against impatience?



PARENT TIME

Have you lately found yourself just going through the motions of dance recitals, winning ball games, and family trips? Taking pictures and smiling, but not really feeling the joy of the moment?

When we find it hard to celebrate the highs and mourn the lows of life, it might be a sign that our hearts have grown hard. The Bible talks about hardness of heart as a condition that people on the other side of God develop. Pharaoh had it. Israel did on

occasion. And the Pharisees specialized in it.

So how can we fight for our own hearts? This month's Parent Link Live podcast gives 5 suggestions for getting your heart beating again.

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