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ANTICIPATING YOUR SEASON

Mark 11:12-14,20

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- RECAP– Making the Best of Your Seasons



Spiritual Seasons

- Spiritual Seasons are:
- Segments of time in a person's life established by God, allowing us to discern, to know and prepare for the moves of God in our lives, the lives of others and in the earth.

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- RECAP– Making the Best of Your Seasons

Personal Seasons

- Each season in a person's life is purposed/designed for them "personally" by the hand of God.
 - *²¹ He controls the times and the seasons; he makes and unmakes kings; it is he who gives wisdom and understanding. He reveals things that are deep and secret; he knows what is hidden in darkness, and he himself is surrounded by light. Daniel 2:21-22 (TEV)*

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- RECAP– Making the Best of Your Seasons
Personal Seasons

IT is important to learn & know the season we are in.

(So that) We can PROPERLY RESPOND to the season while we are in it.

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- RECAP– Making the Best of Your Seasons
- **WE MUST REALIZE:** Seasons differ according to **PURPOSE.**
- Respond to the present season by **MAKING SOME LIFE ADJUSTMENTS:**
 1. Adjust your attitude
 2. Adjust your thinking
 3. Adjust your Behavior

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Anticipation:

- It is to respond in advance to an impending dream, desire, promise, hope or season purposed for you by God

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The Components of Anticipation Expectation

1. Expectation - In the NT; it suggests a reaching out in readiness to receive something;

Another word: *apokaradokia* *n.* primarily means “a watching with outstretched head” which signifies “*strained expectancy*” The stretching forth of the head indicates an “expectation” of something from a certain place or source.

- **Ps 5:3 (NLT)**

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The Components of Anticipation

Expectation

- **Ps 5:3 (NLT)**

Listen to my voice in the morning, Lord.

Each morning I bring my requests to you and wait expectantly.

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The Components of Anticipation

Patience

1. Patience: *“an abiding under”* and denotes endurance under trials of various character. . Patience, is simply “abiding under” or waiting under God’s discipline, pressure or timing

- **James 5:10-11 (ETRV)**

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The Components of Anticipation Patience

- **James 5:10-11 (ETRV)**

¹⁰ Brothers and sisters, follow the example of the prophets who spoke for the Lord. They suffered many bad things, but they were patient.

¹¹ And we say that those who accepted their troubles with patience now have God's blessing. You have heard about Job's patience. You know that after all his troubles, the Lord helped him. This shows that the Lord is full of mercy and is kind.

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The Components of Anticipation

Hope

Hope: Is confident assurance that God's promises will be reality in His timing

- **Ps 119:49 (TLB)**
- *Never forget your promises to me your servant, for they are my only hope. They give me strength in all my troubles; how they refresh and revive me!*

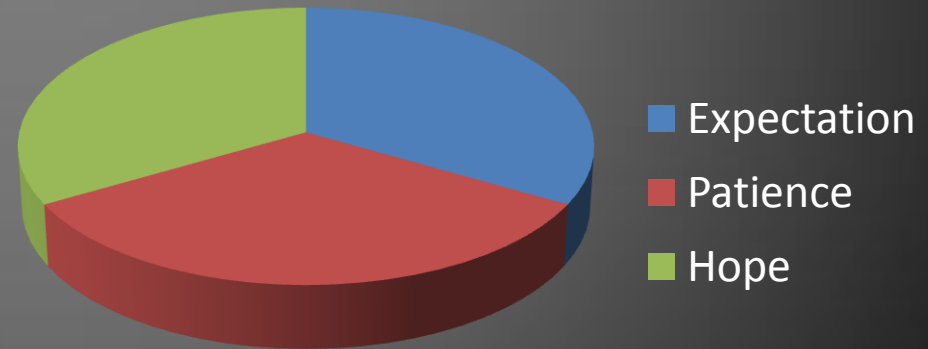
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The Focus of Each Component

Each Component must be maintained and in balance in order to adjust to its degree of focus

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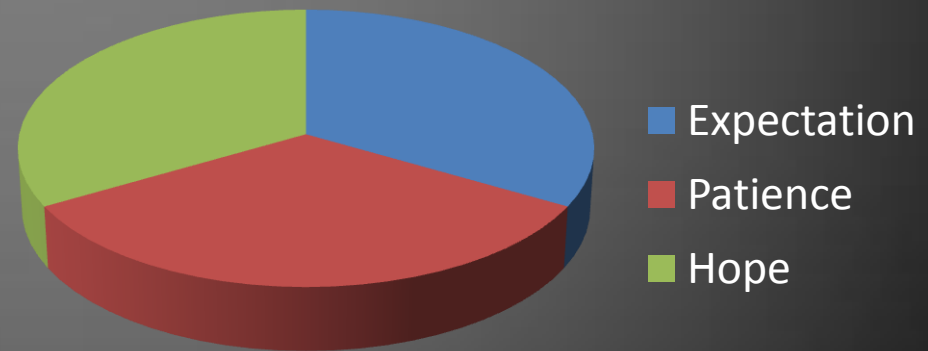
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The Focus of Each Component

Anticipation

The overall objective of Anticipation is to focus on the movement of God Our Source. To focus on How & When He desires to move

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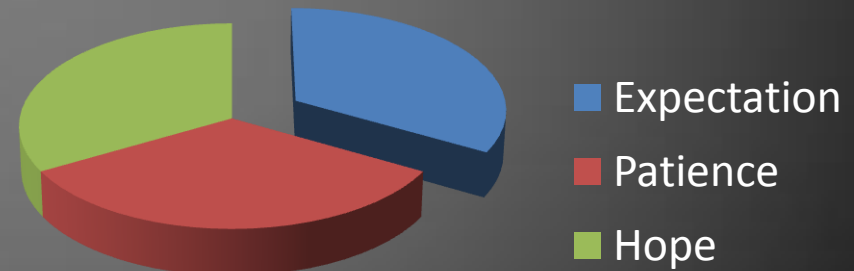
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The Focus of Each Component

Expectation

Focuses on the Word of God. What God has been saying/is saying

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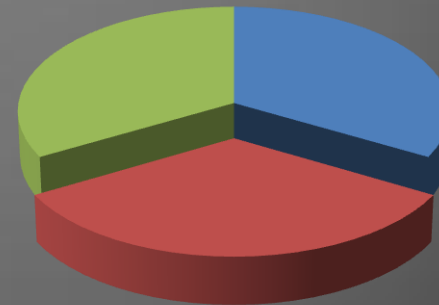
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The Focus of Each Component

Patience

Focuses on the process of God. The way in which He develops & evolves us.

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- Expectation
- Patience
- Hope

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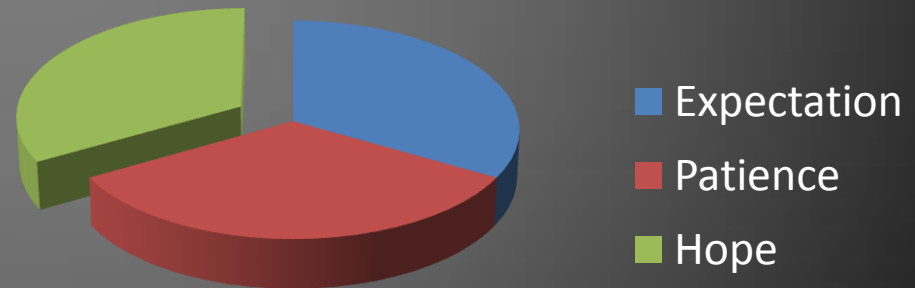
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The Focus of Each Component

Hope

It is focused on God Himself. Our Hope should be in who He is.

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- **Examples of Disastrous Choices**

1. **Zacharias:** Zacharias did not Anticipate his season. He did not “**Expect**” God to answer his prayers. **Luke 1:11-20 (NKJV)**
2. **Saul:** Saul Over-Anticipated because he grew impatient waiting on Samuel. Saul’s **Impatience** compelled him to move outside of God’s process. **Numbers 13:32-33 (NKJV)**
3. **The 10 Spies:** The 10 Spies did not Anticipate God’s new season for Israel. They **lost hope in God** because of the giants they saw in the new land. **1 Samuel 13:8-13 (NKJV)**

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FAILURE TO ANTICIPATE YOUR SEASON

A. The Fig Tree - Mark 11:12-14, 20 (NKJV)

B. The Tree's Response to its Season

1. The Tree did not respond properly to the season it was in
2. The tree did not anticipate nor was it prepared for the following season
3. Jesus expected produced based upon the trees:
 - **Purpose** – The Tree negated its purpose, which was to produce fruit
 - **Season** – Although not its main season. It was still in a season to show usefulness
 - **Personal Need** – The tree failed to meet the Messiah's personal need.



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