



CHURCH OF THE

**Highlands**

## Leader Conversation Guide – Don't Waste the Wait

### Main Idea

In this week's message, Pastor Mark Pettus focused on an area in our spiritual lives that we all experience: the season of waiting that lies between our prayer to God and the praise of receiving His answer. The enemy wants us to believe that God doesn't hear our prayers so that we'll be full of fear and doubt during our wait. But the truth is, God hears our prayers, God answers our prayers, and God uses our wait. Let's stay focused on God, knowing that even in the middle of our wait, He wants to produce in us the kind of faith that believes all things are possible. Don't waste the wait. The blessing is coming!

### Make It Practical

- Focus on God's ways. Call to mind the truth of who God is during your wait. He is our Peace and Provider! Lean into your relationship with God and with others.
- Focus on God's Word. God's will is found in His Word. Attach a verse to your prayer and believe God's promises.
- Focus on God's work. Believe that whatever God is doing in your life during the wait, is far greater than anything you can imagine.

**“Then he said, ‘Don't be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day you began to pray for understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your request has been heard in heaven. I have come in answer to your prayer.’”**

**Daniel 10:12 NLT**

### Talk About It

1. Are you in a season of waiting? How can the truth that God uses our wait change how you experience this time of your life?
2. Share prayer requests as a group. Help each other identify a verse to attach to your prayer and commit to praying for one another during the wait.
3. Ps Mark said, “God wants to do something great in the wait.” Think back on seasons of wait in your life and identify great things God did during that time. Share your answers as a group.

**“If the Lord makes us wait, let us do so with our whole hearts; for blessed are all they that wait for Him. He is worth waiting for. The waiting itself is beneficial to us: It tries faith, exercises patience, trains submission, and endears the blessing when it comes.”**

**Charles Spurgeon**

### **Prayer**

Father, thank You being with us and working all things out for the good during our time of waiting. Help us to stay focused on Your ways, Your Word, and Your works. We choose to trust You with our whole hearts and believe that the blessing is coming. We silence the fears of the enemy in Your name, and put our hope in You, Lord! In Jesus' mighty name, Amen!

### **Leader Tips**

Encourage your group by sharing how God used a time of waiting in your life for good.

