

The Fruit of the Spirit: Patience

Be still before the Lord and wait
patiently for him;
do not fret when men succeed in
their ways,
when they carry out their wicked
schemes.

Refrain from anger and turn from wrath;
do not fret—it leads only to evil.
For evil men will be cut off,
but those who hope in the Lord will
inherit the land.

I waited patiently for the Lord;
he turned to me and heard my cry.
He lifted me out of the slimy pit,
out of the mud and mire;
he set my feet on a rock
and gave me a firm place to stand.
He put a new song in my mouth,
a hymn of praise to our God.
Many will see and fear
and put their trust in the Lord.

A patient man has great understanding,
but a quick-tempered man displays
folly.

Love is patient, love is kind. It does
not envy, it does not boast, it is not
proud.

Be patient, then, brothers, until the
Lord's coming. See how the farmer
waits for the land to yield its valuable
crop and how patient he is for the
autumn and spring rains. You too, be
patient and stand firm, because the
Lord's coming is near.

Psalms 37:7-9; 40:1-3; Proverbs 14:29
1 Corinthians 13:4; James 5:7-8