

What Happens When I Wait?

Going VIRAL Series – Part 4
Isaiah 40:27-31
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⁴ We will not hide them from their children; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD, his power, and the wonders he has done.

Psalm 78:4-7



Isaiah 40:27

27 O Jacob, how can you say the LORD does not see your troubles? O Israel, how can you say God ignores your rights?-- (NLT)

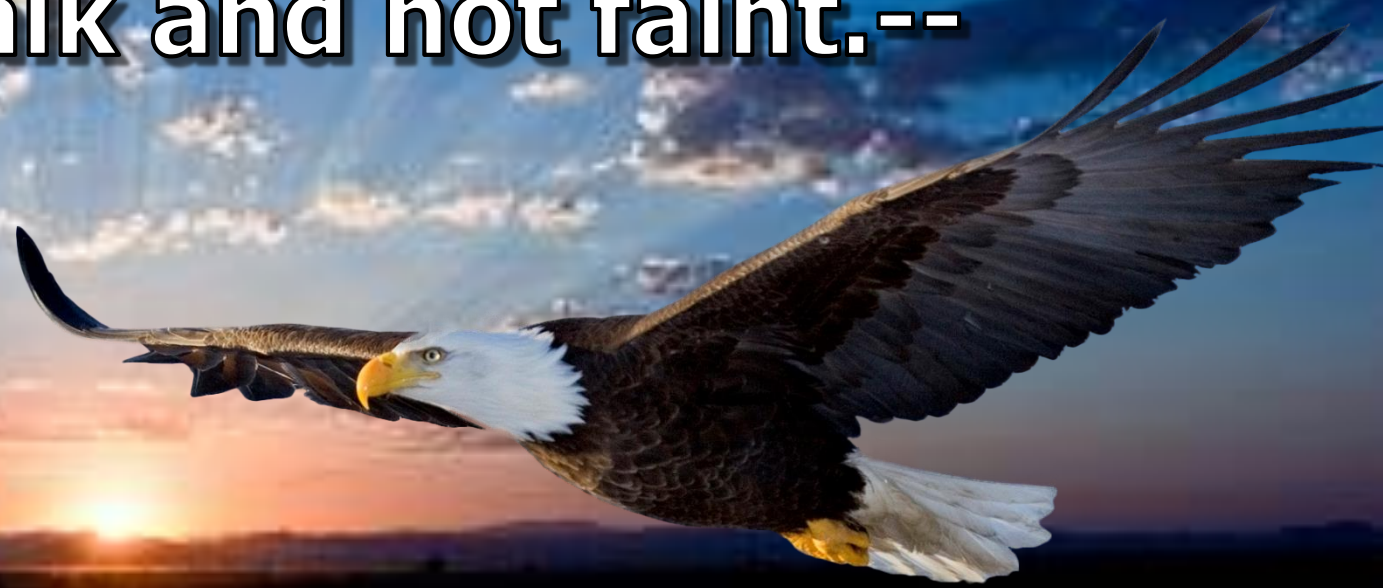


Isaiah 40:28–31

²⁸ Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the LORD, The Creator of the ends of the earth, Neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹ He gives power to the weak, And to those who have no might He increases strength.



**³⁰ Even the youths shall faint and be weary,
And the young men shall utterly fall, ³¹ But
those who wait on the LORD Shall renew
their strength; They shall mount up with
wings like eagles, They shall run and not be
weary, They shall walk and not faint.--
(NKJV)**



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1. The Problem of Reduced Strength.

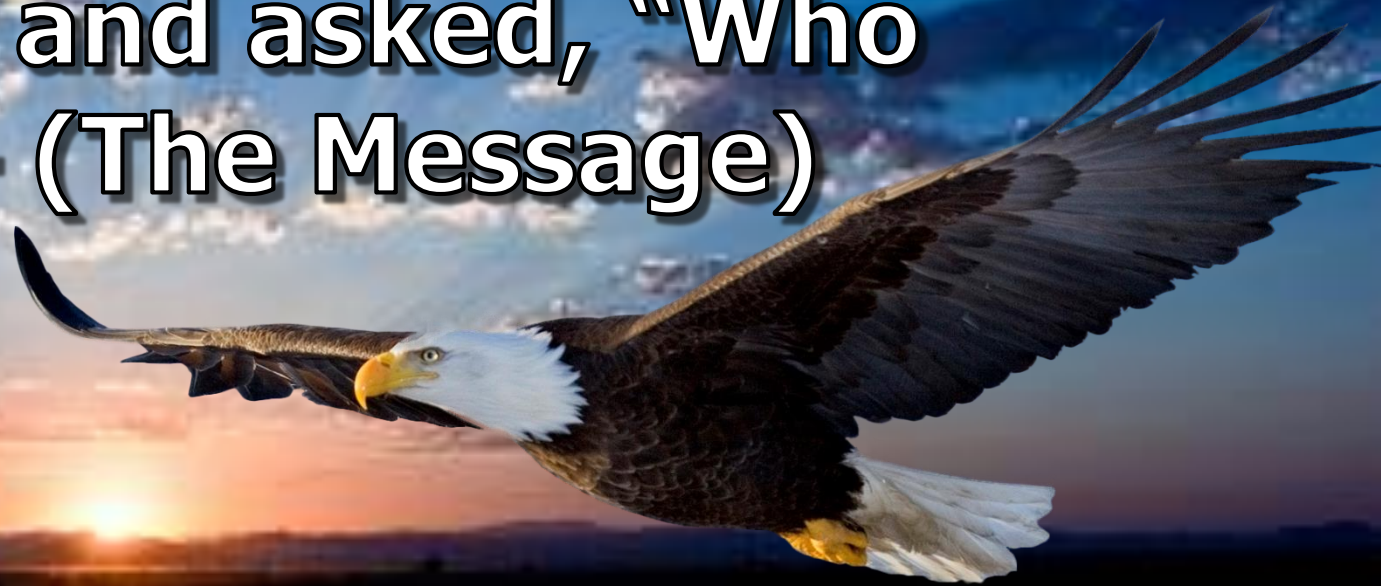
**Isaiah 40:29–30²⁹ He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.
30 Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall;-- (NIV)**



We Lose Strength From 5 Areas

A. The Demands of Service.

Mark 5:30³⁰ At the same moment, Jesus felt energy discharging from him. He turned around to the crowd and asked, "Who touched my robe?"-- (The Message)



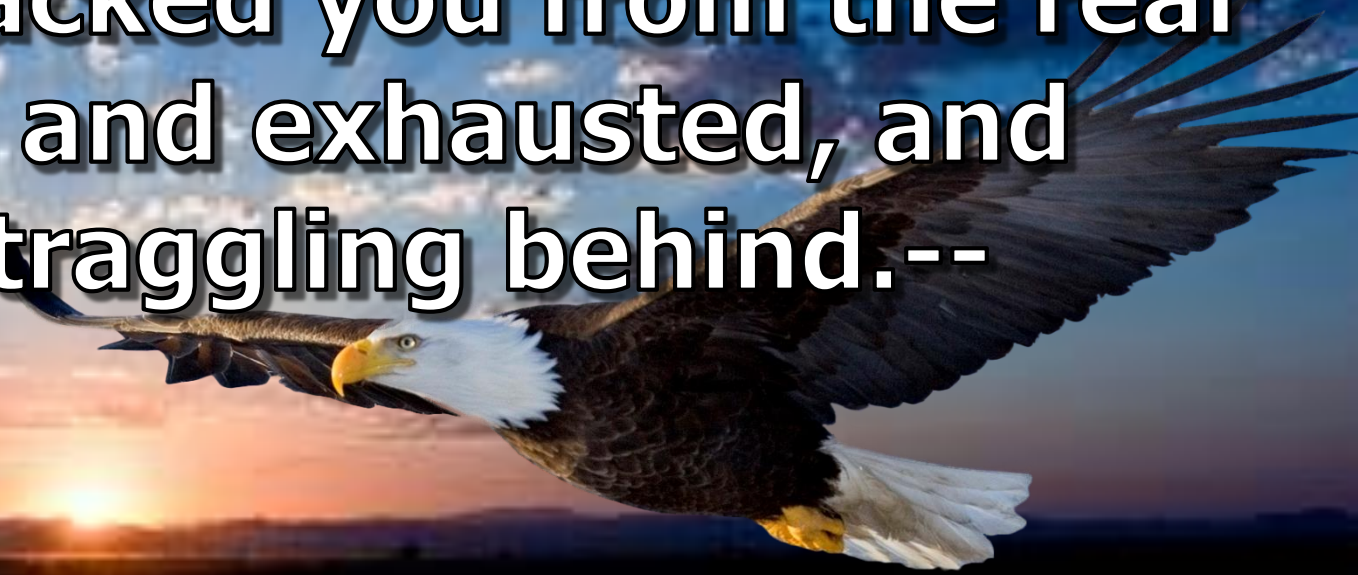
B. The Dissipations of Sin.

Judges 16:19¹⁹ Delilah lulled Samson to sleep with his head in her lap, and then she called in a man to shave off the seven locks of his hair. In this way she began to bring him down, and his strength left him.-- (NLT)



C. The Devices of Satan .

**Deuteronomy 25:17–18¹⁷ “Remember what the Amalekites did to you as you were coming from Egypt. ¹⁸ They had no fear of God, and so they attacked you from the rear when you were tired and exhausted, and killed all who were straggling behind.--
(TEV)**



D. The Disability of Sickness.

**Psalm 6:3³ I am sick at heart. How long,
O LORD, until you restore me?-- (NLT)**



E. The Devastation of Sorrow.

**Psalm 13:2² How long must I wrestle
with my thoughts and every day
have sorrow in my heart? (NIV)**



Psalm 116:3

³ The cords of death entangled me, the anguish of the grave came upon me; I was overcome by trouble and sorrow.



2. The Path of Renewed Strength

Isaiah 40:31³¹ But those who wait on the LORD Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.-- (NKJV)



Psalm 27:14

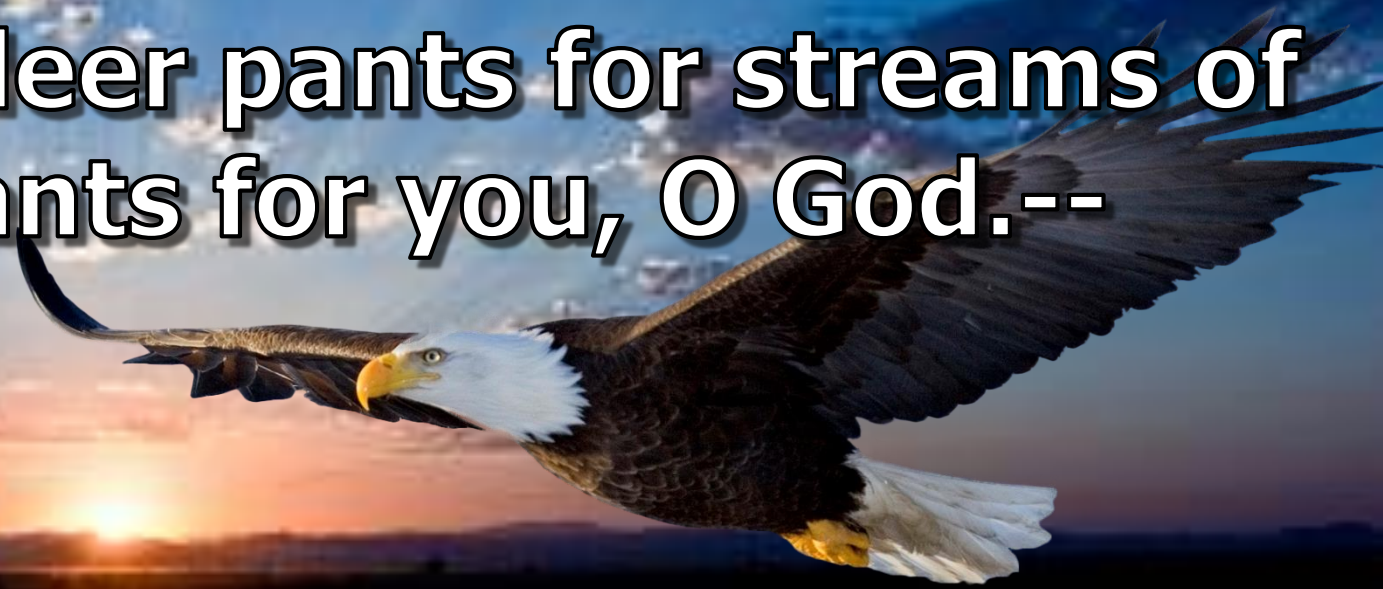
**14 Wait on the LORD; Be of good courage,
And He shall strengthen your heart;
Wait, I say, on the LORD!-**



A. To Wait Means to Long for Him.

**Psalm 62:1¹ Truly my soul waiteth upon
God: from him cometh my salvation.-- (KJV)**

**Psalm 42:1¹ As the deer pants for streams of
water, so my soul pants for you, O God.--
(NIV)**



B. To Wait Means to Listen to Him.

Proverbs 8:34³⁴ Blessed is the one who listens to me, watching daily at my gates, waiting beside my doors.-- (ESV)



C. To Wait Means to Look to Him.

Psalm 121:1–2¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills— where does my help come from? ² My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.-- (NIV)



D. To Wait Means to Live for Him.

Proverbs 27:18¹⁸ Whoever keeps the fig tree will eat its fruit; So he who waits on his master will be honored.-- (NKJV)



3. The Promise of a Released Strength

**Isaiah 40:31³¹ But those who wait on the
LORD Shall renew their strength; They shall
mount up with wings like eagles, They shall
run and not be weary, They shall walk and
not faint.-- (NKJV)**



A. The Power To Soar In Times of Adversity.

Psalm 55:6⁶ I said, "Oh, that I had the wings of a dove! I would fly away and be at rest---- (NIV)



Isaiah 40:31

**31 But those who wait on the LORD Shall
renew their strength; They shall mount
up with wings like eagles, . . . (NKJV)**



Proverbs 30:18–19

¹⁸ There are three things which are too wonderful for me, Yes, four which I do not understand: ¹⁹ The way of an eagle in the air, . . .



B. The Power To Run in Times of Opportunity .

**Isaiah 40:31³¹ But those who wait on
the LORD . . . They shall run and not be
weary . . .**



C. The Power To Walk in Times of Necessity.

**Isaiah 40:31³¹ But those who
wait on the LORD . . . , They shall
walk and not faint.**



Deuteronomy 33:25

²⁵ . . . , and as your days, so shall your strength be.-- (ESV)



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