The Power of Waiting with Hep C

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Are you 'waiting' for something right now? Waiting for Hep C treatment to be over? Waiting for test results? Waiting for recovery so you can feel 'normal' again? The waiting room consists of many people waiting for different reasons. What are you doing while you are waiting? Do you have a peaceful, calm spirit or are you tied up in knots of worry?

Waiting. It's never been something I'm good at. I'm 'let's get with the program' type of girl. Chop Chop. I like moving forward. Sometimes I get myself in a mess when I'm moving and should be putting on the brakes. Waiting does not mean you are not being active in something, but it does mean you have taken a stance to pause while you are waiting for the direction you need to take.

There is power in the pause. There are benefits in waiting.

1. God gives you time to prepare prayerfully.
2. God gives you time to plan purposefully.
3. God gives the time needed to work ALL things together for your good.
4. God gives you time to be Thankful, even through the waiting.

There is a gift also in waiting, did you notice the once constant in the above mentioned benefits, God Gives you time! Yet how we use it can be a benefit to us if we will see it from God's perspective.

Ponder our special scripture this week.

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. Isaiah 40:31 NKJV (emphasis mine)

We see the word 'Wait' substituted in different translations of the bible for 'Hope, or Trust.' When we unwrap each word the basic meaning is the same, we are relying on Almighty God in His way and timing to provide for us in His divine plan.

There is a purpose in waiting. If we did not 'wait' for red lights to turn green, we would be rushing into oncoming traffic, boom, ultimate harm.

If we did not 'wait' for God's timing, we rush ahead of him to take matters into our own hands. I think of standing before Him, after I have placed my cares in His capable hands only to jerk them away from Him because of my impatience and unwillingness to wait on His best for me.

I regret the times I have done just that. But for those times when I have struggled being in the waiting room, I think of this verse that has brought me the peace I needed to wait and trust in His perfect timing

and way;

“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,” declares the Lord. “As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.” Isaiah 55:8-9

So for those who Wait, for those who Hope, for those who Trust, there is power in the pause. Power in Rest Stops. Power in Waiting, even with Hep C and the outcome.

Are you in the waiting room right now? Waiting for Hep C test results? Waiting for treatment to begin or finish? Waiting for God to open up the way?

I’m in the waiting room right now? How about You?

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