

**Transforming Daily**  
**“... *in due season* ...”**  
*Galatians 6:9*

Two of the hardest things to do in this life are to wait and to persevere. I believe they are related. We have been living in a world of instant gratification since the turn of the twentieth century. We want what we want when we want it and we want it right now. If we have to wait for even a moment, it is an inconvenience of excruciating pain.

Don't believe me? Just wait; just hesitate, one second, with several cars behind you, after the turn lane signal light turns green. You'll see what I mean. Or better yet, go through a drive through at a fast food restaurant, and just before you pull up to the order box, hesitate, just one second or two. Let the people behind you see that the car in front of you has moved on ahead, and before you can get your foot from the break to the accelerator, two cars behind you will have already beeped their horns (heaven forbid the person taking the order doesn't answer the call box even before the impatient customer reaches the speaker).

So much for waiting; what about persevering? I've been to some stores and businesses that had to install a turn-style door for their employees because they either quit due to hard work asked of them, or were fired due to unacceptable performance by unreasonable employers. I once knew a man who accepted the call to pastor a church. Before he even arrived on the field for ministry, having had a brief conference call with the deacons beforehand, resigned just a week after he accepted the position.

Ironically, it takes time to learn how to wait and how to persevere. For this reason, waiting and persevering are related to a season, or seasons, in life. The process of learning how to wait and to persevere is not excluded only to physical discipline. The process is also related to spiritual discipline.

The biggest challenge for waiting and persevering associated with spiritual discipline is not receiving tangible and physically manifested evidence on this side of heaven commensurate with one's perspective of their waiting and persevering (Matthew 6:33). Waiting is hard. Persevering might even be more difficult. However, doing God's work, His way, according to His will, without growing weary will be rewarded in due season.