

Psalm 27:14
WAIT ON JEHOVAH

- I. The necessity.
 - A. David's life was full of troubles, which are God-sent opportunities for us to learn of His strength and to exercise trust/wait.
 - B. God's Word is an all-sufficient word for any present problem.
 - 1. Realize that the command to "wait on the Lord" implies that this is what we do not want to do.
 - 2. But there is no difficulty or trial too complex for this simple word of God; we may not think that our problem is too great.
- II. It is in such situations and many others that we who declare Jehovah to be our light and salvation must "wait on Jehovah."
 - A. To "wait" is to "look for, expect even eagerly" and consists of five things.
 - 1. It is an intense, spiritual activity of believing God to be in control of every situation and to be guiding it by His counsel.
 - 2. It is to believe that He will fulfill His promises, especially to supply all my need.
 - 3. It is a confident expectation, so we know (not just hope) all things work for our spiritual and eternal good.
 - 4. It is to be silent before Him, confessing that we lack wisdom, are dust, and deserve nothing good.
 - 5. And it is to wait on Him in service, seeking only to love Him with our all and to do only and always His will.
 - B. How do we wait?
 - 1. On our knees in prayer, for this puts us in communion with Him on Whom we wait: Jehovah.
 - 2. By being of good courage, as a soldier when entering into battle.
 - C. The Spirit inspires David to repeat: "wait, I say, on Jehovah."
- III. An encouraging promise is given: "and He shall strengthen thine heart."
 - A. He does not promise that everything will be as we want.
 - B. Rather His promise is that His encouragements and promises will give us inner resolve and confidence.