

# **“God Unwrapped”**

**Part 4**

**“The Longsuffering  
of the Lord”**

***“The Lord is longsuffering and  
abundant in mercy,...”***

***Numbers 14:18***

***“But you, O Lord, are full of  
compassion and gracious.  
Longsuffering and abundant in  
mercy and truth.”***      ***Psalm 86:15***

**“Divine patience is that power of control which God exercises over Himself, causing Him to bear with the wicked and forbear so long in punishing them.”**

**A.W. Pink**

***“The Lord is slow to anger and great  
in power.” Nahum 1:3***

**Patience has to do with  
God Himself**

**Mercy is what we receive as a  
benefit of God's longsuffering.**

***Romans 15: 1-7***

**“The God of Patience”  
is one of the Divine  
titles.**

**Longsuffering...**

**That quality of restraint in the  
face of provocation which  
does not hastily retaliate  
or promptly punish.**

**When? Why? How?  
of being patient**

***James 5: 7-11 (the Farmer)***

## **When? - Be patient...**

- **When circumstances are uncontrollable**
- **When people are unchangeable**
- **When problems are unexplainable**

## **Why? - Be patient because...**

- **God is in control**
- **God rewards patience**
- **God is working things out**

**How? - To be patient, wait...**

- **Expectantly**
- **Quietly**
- **Confidently**

# **James 5: 7-11**