

SERMON NOTES

Cry. Wait. Sing.

Psalm 40:1-3 Page 803 (Grace Bibles)

1. People in difficult life situations respond in 1 of 2 ways:
- If you are a _____ person, you will pull up your bootstraps and try everything you can to make life better for yourself.

• If you are a _____ person, you will _____ to God.
2. One could argue that _____ is where we will spend most of our time as a follower of Christ. Most of our life is spent _____ the crying and the singing.
3. God doesn't _____ your pain. He wants to use it for His glory, and the only way He could do that is for you to sing _____ of deliverance - to share with others what He has done in your life.
4. The _____ of rescued saints may be one of our most underutilized _____. Your story of deliverance may be exactly what someone needs to hear for them to turn to Jesus Christ!

"He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear the Lord and put their trust in him." - Psalm 40:3

STAY CONNECTED

Guests: You are invited to stop by one of our Welcome Centers located by the Main Entrance OR by the Grace Land Entrance! We want to give you a personal welcome, a gift and thank you for coming to Grace today.



We would like to get to know you a little better! Please scan and fill out our contact card!

Connections: If you have any questions about Grace or sign-ups, make sure you visit Connections located in the lobby adjacent to the Coffee Bar.

Sermon Notes: Fill-in-the-blank sermon notes are inside your bulletin. You can also access them, along with the scriptures for today's message, through the Bible App ("Events" and "Grace Fellowship").



Please scan the QR Code to access our Sermon Notes on the Bible App

Prayer Requests: Go to our website, click on "Prayer Requests" at the top of the Home Page and let us know how our staff and Prayer Team can pray for you! Our website: www.gracefellowshipatmore.com

Giving Options: In addition to the Offering Boxes located in the lobby and auditorium, you can give your offering by visiting our website and clicking on the "Give" link at the top of the Home page. You will then go to Give Online and click on "Give HERE". Our website: www.gracefellowshipatmore.com

Stay Connected: Stay up to date with what's happening here at Grace through:

- **Facebook** – Like and Follow our page: facebook.com/gracefellowshipatmore
- **Email** – sent out weekly on Wednesday and Friday mornings. Email gracefellowshipatmore@gmail.com if you are not receiving these weekly emails!
- **Website** – www.gracefellowshipatmore.com
- **Text** - Text "GFCONNECT" TO 94000



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Get to know Grace Fellowship!

Our Purpose - Know God. Follow Jesus. Love People.

Our Offering - We don't take a public offering. Rather, we have "Offering Boxes" located in the lobby and the back of the auditorium for tithes and offerings. Offering envelopes are available beside the "Offering Boxes" for those who would like a receipt for cash contributions. We trust that God will meet our financial needs through those who call *Grace* their church home.




To Give Online - please scan the QR code.

Our Children's Ministry - *Grace Land* is where we communicate God's love and truth in a dynamic way that kids are able to understand. Classes for birth through 5th Grade begin at 10:00 a.m. If you are new to Grace, please go to the Grace Land check-in counter so that we can meet with you briefly to get important information about your child's needs and preferences.

KIC (Kids In Christ): 6th grade (11 years old) - 8th grade: meets every Wednesday from 7:00 - 8:30 pm.

Ignite Student Ministries: 9th grade (14 years old) - 12th grade: meets every Wednesday from 7:00 - 8:30 pm.

 Groups provide a positive opportunity to build relationships with other Christians and to grow spiritually. If you have questions, need more information, or would like to connect with a group, contact Raja Atallah at raja.gracefellowship@gmail.com.



The church office is open from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday – Friday.
Contact us: 251-368-4463 gracefellowshipatmore@gmail.com

Covenant Renewal: If you were not able to make it to our annual Covenant Renewal Service and you call Grace your home church, stop by Connections to sign the 2026 Covenant of Commitment.

Ignite Valentine’s Banquet - Camp Fundraiser: Enjoy a relaxing evening and let us serve you on Friday, February 6th at 6:00pm here at Grace! It’s the perfect date night or an excellent family night out. This camp fundraising event is “by donation” and all proceeds will go toward the Ignite youth camp trip this summer. Sign up TODAY at Connections!

Men’s Bible Study: Growing in Strength and Encouragement - An Elder led study on 1 Peter. Men, join Grace Fellowship’s Elder team as they lead a 6 week men’s Bible study on 1 Peter on Monday nights from 6:30-8:00pm starting TOMORROW. This will be a challenging study focused on helping us have hope and strength in the midst of difficulty. In addition to a timely topic, there will be a focus on discussion among the men so we can strengthen each other. Those who sign up will have a workbook pre-ordered for them available at the start of the class (\$8.00): *1 & 2 Peter, Hope in Times of Trouble*, by John MacArthur.

Women of Grace: Get ready to roll! Join us for a fun-filled Ladies' Bowling Night on Thursday, January 29th from 7:00 - 8:00pm. The cost is just \$10, which includes your shoes. For all ladies 18 and up! We'll be rolling, laughing, and having a great time! Stop by Connection to sign up!

Ladies Bible Study - The Best Yes: A 6 week Bible study by Lisa Terkeurst that helps you discern the option that shapes all your other choices. Offering Scripture-laced insights on effective decision-making, she encourages you to be honest, imaginative, focused, trusting, and humble as you discover the role God most wants you to play. Two class options are available: Wednesday night (7:00 - 8:15pm) **OR** Thursday morning (9:00 - 10:15am). Childcare will be provided for the Thursday morning study ONLY. Sign up at Connections today!



GROUP NOTES

ENTERING THE GROUP ZONE

1. Dave talked about his personal experience going through the cry-wait-sing rhythm. Share your experience of a time you went through these three phases.
2. Share how fears or doubts can be overwhelming during a long season of waiting. Do you have a personal experience to share?
3. Have you ever felt disappointed with where God took you after the “wait” period? How did that affect your trust/faith?
4. Which part of the cry-wait-sing do you relate to most right now? How can your small group support you during this time?
5. Does God sometimes work in ways that do not follow the cry-wait-sing pattern? Have you experienced these parts in a different order?
6. Looking back at this week’s message, was there anything that particularly challenged you, confused you, or caught your attention?

Take a minute to review the sermon and complete the sermon notes on the previous page for anyone who might have missed it.

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Read Psalm 13:1-6. How does this Psalm reflect the cry-wait-sing pattern that Dave talked about? Show below which verses cover each pattern.
 - Do you see your own prayers reflected in verses 1-4? Have you experienced the heartfelt frustrations as David did during the waiting period? Explain.
 - What caused David’s tone to change in the last two verses? What lesson can we learn?
2. Read Habakkuk 3:16-19. Does Habakkuk’s external situation improve before the singing and rejoicing stage? What does this passage reveal about joy that is rooted in God rather than outcomes?

TAKING IT HOME

Dave emphasized that the new song God gives us should be used to point others to Christ. Consider how God might use your story—past or present—to draw others to Jesus.