**7/16/23 We Will Wait on Anything But Jesus! John 6:15-21**

**(Mark 6:45-56; Matthew 14:22-36)**

* In a society where we have instant almost everything, being patient is not something that we look forward to.
* God’s Word helps us to stay in reality about patience.
* James tells us that the trying of our faith brings patience.

**Isaiah 40:31; James 1:2**

**1. Jesus is the Great Provider!**

* The people looked for the promised Messiah to come and rescue them.
* Jesus fed the multitude with a little boy’s lunch.
* Jesus saw that the people were ready to force Him to be their king, so He slipped away and went to the hills to pray.

**Philippians 4:19;** **Matthew 14:20; John 6:15**

**2. Too often we are too impatient to wait even for Jesus.**

* Jesus was known for praying for a long time, so the disciples left without Him.
* James tells us to let patience have her perfect work in us.
* Paul tells us that tribulation worketh patience.

**John 6:16-17; Luke 22:39-46; James 1:4**

**3. Storms come when we go without Jesus.**

* It doesn’t take long for trouble to show up when you are out of the ark of safety.
* Jesus saw the disciples rowing hard and struggling against the wind and waves.
* Peter asked Jesus to perform a feat that no mortal man had never done.
* Peter took his eyes off Jesus and focused on his circumstances and began to sink!
* Church, if we would learn to have patience and wait on Jesus!

**John 6:18-21; Mark 6:48; Matthew 14:26-32; 1 John 4:1; Isaiah 55:6;**

**2 Chronicles 7:14**