

THE KRUCHKOW UPDATE



Missionaries to Mongolia

“Wait Upon the Lord” - What it Really Means & How to Do It

Isaiah 40:31 *“But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles;...”*

Psalms 27:14 *“Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.”*

You're waiting at the doctor's office far longer than you expected (and say to yourself I should have brought a book to this place!) Your eyes wander to a framed painting on the wall, with an eagle soaring over water and mountains. In small script underneath, it reads *“They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles”*

What Does “Wait on the Lord” Mean?

What did Isaiah mean when he wrote those words, “Wait upon the Lord?” What would it feel like to have eagle's wings at a time like this? To put it simply, it all boils down to where your power comes from. An eagle rises to great heights, but has no jet engine behind him. His body is designed to maximize the power of the air, and he soars on unseen currents with ease.

Isaiah welcomes us to see ourselves as dependent creatures, designed to rely upon something unseen, something greater than ourselves. It is not a weakness of the eagle that he is so dependent upon the power of air. Rather, this dependence is his greatest strength.

The Old Testament word “Wait” in Isaiah has a meaning of hope and expectation.

What do you expect will happen?

The person in the doctor's waiting room expects the doctor to play a part in his healing. The person waiting on God expects Him to use any and all of His resources to bring healing in the right time and in the right way. Maybe this doctor will be an important part of God's plan to heal or maybe not. Either way, it's God who will bring the healing.

Riding the updraft of your mountain!

To actively wait on God, fill your mind with the truth about God's character, especially as it pertains to your situation. In

Colossians, Paul says, *“Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.”* (Colossians 3:2).

Why are eagles so often flying around the mountains? It turns out that this is where they get the best air currents. The upward shape of the ground produces strong upward drafts of air, and once an eagle catches one of these, it can ride it up and over the mountain.

Think about that. The very obstacle the eagle wants to get over produces the power needed to rise above it. Our difficulties can produce updraft for our thoughts to set our minds on things above. It may take some practice to deliberately set your mind on anything but your problems, but you can use your worry to generate reminders to help you.

Using your past as evidence in the waiting.

Your own story can provide evidence for your hope. How has God helped you in the past? What obstacles have you overcome together? Try this. When you're telling someone about your problem, use it as an opportunity to also tell a story about God's help in the past in your life.

The ultimate context.

Let's be real. Sometimes thinking about the past brings up more questions than answers. Maybe you lost someone you loved, even though you prayed for healing. Maybe you've been in debt and are afraid of returning to that situation. We all have stories that remain unresolved.

The thing to remember is this: your story isn't over yet.

Not everything is yet as it should be, nor as it will be. Jesus will overcome all of His enemies, and the last of these will be death. (1 Corinthians 15:24-26)

Moving Forward

"In these unusual times!" We have heard these words so much over this last ten months. What they are trying to say is, *"Things have changed and we have to change with them."*

Hebrews 13:8 says, *"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever."* Our times may be changing but our God is the same. We have the same command from Him. *"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."*

We have the same ministry. We just have to perform it a little differently. Spending much time at night on the internet directing the print shop in Mongolia.

God is good and we are still longing for the day we can be ministering face to face in Mongolia!

Homeland Opportunity

I am so thankful for blessed opportunities to take care of many things needed to be accomplished State side. One such opportunity is the remodeling of a building that was donated to the BATA ministries.

This building was vandalized and severely let go. We are working hard to be able to reuse this building for the ministry here in Crab Orchard, WV.

Please continue to pray for this project and that God will get the glory.

Your Missionaries to Mongolia,
Jeff & Kimberly Kruchkow



We are
AVAILABLE
to skype into your
Missions Conference!
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WE HAVE A BLOG!

We would love for you to take a few minutes to browse through our blog and let us know what you think. New posts will be added to keep you updated. Hoping this will keep you informed on what is happening in Mongolia.

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Prayer Needs!

- ❖ Noah as he has taken an internship at a church in Michigan
- ❖ That we will be able to book meetings with churches while here in the States
- ❖ Wisdom for the translation team as they translate the Old Testament into the Mongolian language
- ❖ Wisdom and speed to raise the funds for the Building of HOPE
- ❖ Health and safety for Kim's parents
- ❖ Funds for a digital press in Mongolia
- ❖ Ever changing needs of our precious adult children
- ❖ For the restrictions to be lifted so we can fly back to Mongolia
- ❖ The ever changing political climate in Mongolia
- ❖ For the health of Jeff's mother and father
- ❖ Salvation for the Mongolian people as we print and distribute God's Word
- ❖ The health and safety of the Missionaries that are still in Mongolia

"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God."

Philippians 4:6

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