



His master replied, "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!"

Matthew 25:21









that match

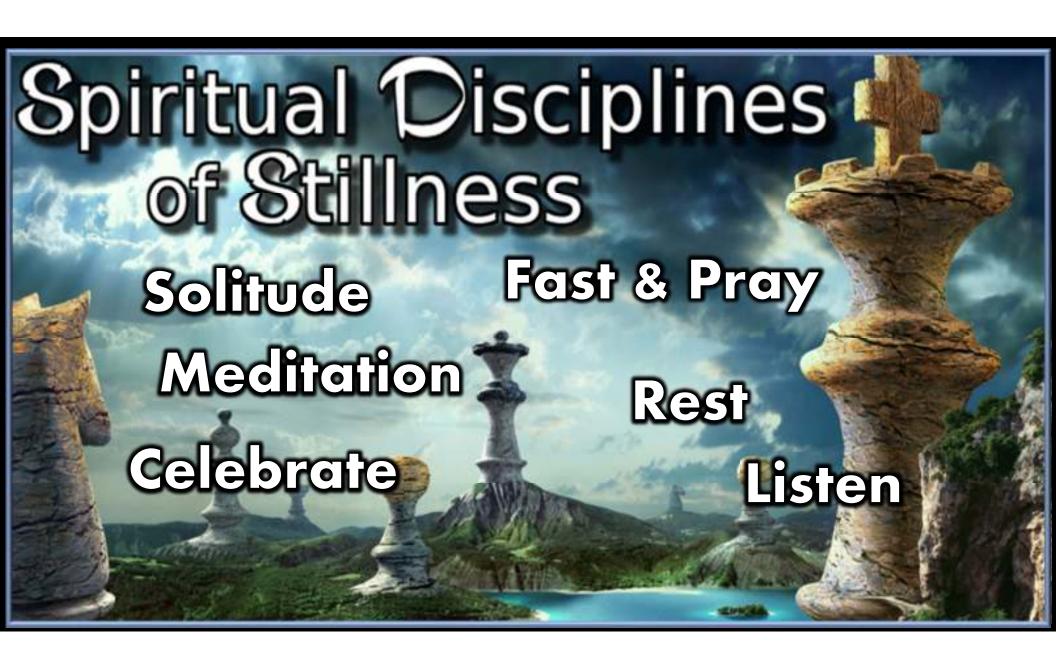


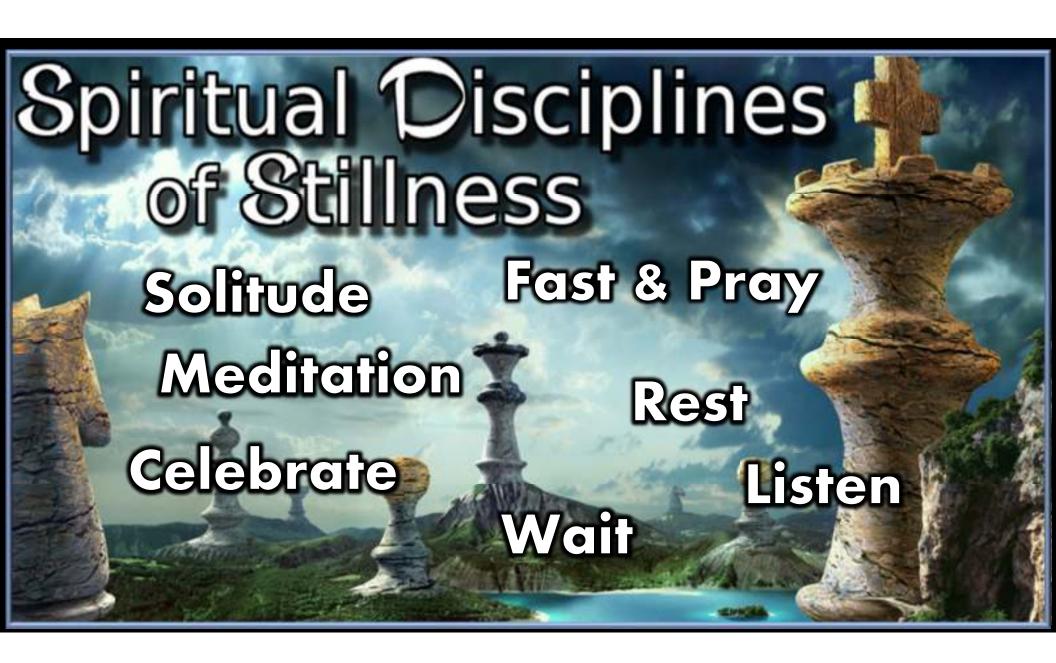
He still must play the final match

He still is not guaranteed to win that match

None of that matters does it?







Waiting

1. To remain stationary in readiness or expectation (Don't Move Until You See It!)

2. Stay where one is or delay action until a particular time or until something else happens.

3. to pause for another to catch up

4. to look forward expectantly

5. to hold back expectantly



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Just because others are "winning" does not make the path a good one



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Important... waiting and being patient are two different things





I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in his word, I put my hope. I wait for the Lord more than watchmen wait for the morning, more than watchmen wait for the morning.

Psalm 130:5-6



Benefit #2 Make More Rational Choices

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Habakkuk 2:3



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Psalm 25:21





Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

Galatians 6:9



Benefit #5 Makes You a People Magnet!

I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.

Psalm 27:13-14





Show me your ways, Lord, teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.

Psalm 25:4-5





But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint.

Isaiah 40:31



Benefit #8 It will improve Compassion

As you know, we count as blessed those who have persevered. You have heard of Job's perseverance and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.



James 5:11

Benefit #9 It can Bring You Peace

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.



1 Peter 5:6-7

Benefit #10 It's the Way to Practice Faith

In that day they will say, "Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the Lord, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation."

Isaiah 25:9

