



**TOUGH**

**AS**

**NAILS**

I KNOW THAT NO MATTER HOW HARD IT GETS  
IF YOU HAVE JESUS,  
YOU ARE TOUGH  
ENOUGH



**WHEN THE GOING  
GETS TOUGH, THE  
TOUGH LEARN TO**

**WAIT**

# **Luke 3:23a NLT**

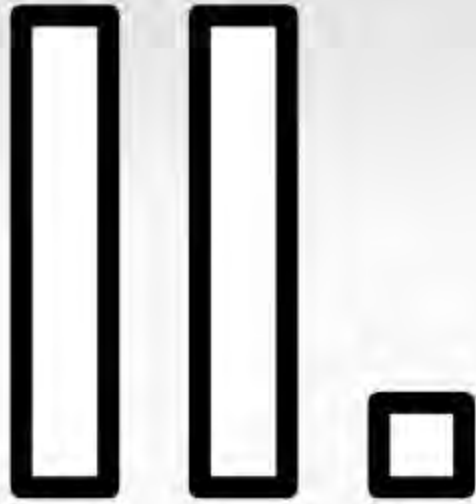
<sup>23</sup> Jesus was about thirty years old when he began his public ministry.

# **Matthew 4:1-2 NLT**

<sup>1</sup> Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted there by the devil. <sup>2</sup> For forty days and forty nights he fasted and became very hungry.

# **Acts 1:4 NLT**

<sup>4</sup> During the forty days after he suffered and died, he appeared to the apostles from time to time, and he proved to them in many ways that he was actually alive. And he talked to them about the Kingdom of God.



**WHAT HAPPENS  
WHEN WE DON'T  
LEARN TO**

**WAIT**

# **Genesis 25:27-28 NLT**

<sup>27</sup> As the boys grew up, Esau became a skillful hunter. He was an outdoorsman, but Jacob had a quiet temperament, preferring to stay at home. <sup>28</sup> Isaac loved Esau because he enjoyed eating the wild game Esau brought home, but Rebekah loved Jacob.



# **Genesis 25:29-31 NLT**

<sup>29</sup> One day when Jacob was cooking some stew, Esau arrived home from the wilderness exhausted and hungry. <sup>30</sup> Esau said to Jacob, “I’m starved! Give me some of that red stew!” (This is how Esau got his other name, Edom, which means “red.”)

<sup>31</sup> “All right,” Jacob replied, “but trade me your rights as the firstborn son.”

**WHAT IS A**

**BIRTHRIGHT?**

# WHAT IS A BIRTHRIGHT?

The son of the birthright received a double portion of the INHERITANCE and also became the head of the family and the SPIRITUAL leader upon the passing of the father.

# **Genesis 25:32-34 NLT**

**32** “Look, I’m dying of starvation!” said Esau. “What good is my birthright to me now?”

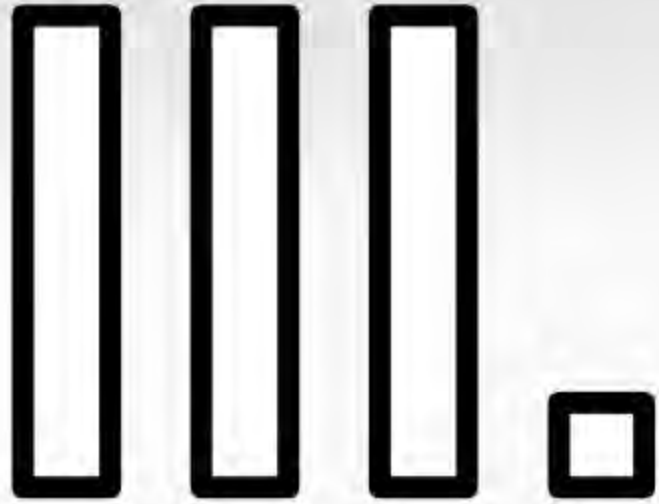
**33** But Jacob said, “First you must swear that your birthright is mine.” So Esau swore an oath, thereby selling all his rights as the firstborn to his brother, Jacob.

# **Genesis 25:32-34 NLT**

<sup>34</sup> Then Jacob gave Esau some bread and lentil stew. Esau ate the meal, then got up and left. He showed contempt for his rights as the firstborn.

**IN THIS FAMILY, THE BIRTHRIGHT  
DETERMINED WHO WOULD  
INHERIT THE COVENANT GOD  
MADE WITH ABRAHAM, THE  
COVENANT OF LAND, A NATION  
AND THE MESSIAH.**

**DON'T TRADE THE BEST GOD HAS  
FOR YOU LATER FOR SOMETHING  
TEMPORARY NOW.**



**LEARNING TO**

**WAIT**

**ON THE LORD**



# **Isaiah 40:30-31 ESV**

<sup>30</sup> Even youths shall faint and be weary,  
and young men shall fall exhausted;

<sup>31</sup> but they who wait for the Lord shall renew  
their strength; they shall mount up with  
wings like eagles; they shall run and not be  
weary; they shall walk and not faint.

**WE SHOULD WAIT ON THE  
LORD NOT PASSIVELY, BUT**

**ACTIVELY.**

**WE SHOULD WAIT ON THE LORD  
NOT PASSIVELY, BUT ACTIVELY.**

**WE SHOULD WAIT ON THE LORD  
WITH HOPE AND TRUST.**

**WE SHOULD WAIT ON THE LORD  
NOT PASSIVELY, BUT ACTIVELY.**

**WE SHOULD WAIT ON THE LORD  
WITH HOPE AND TRUST.**

**WE SHOULD WAIT ON  
THE LORD WITH EAGER**

**EXPECTATION.**

**THE ESV STUDY BIBLE EXPLAINS  
THAT WHEN WE WAIT FOR  
LORD WE ARE “SAVORING GOD’S  
PROMISE BY FAITH UNTIL THE  
TIME OF FULFILLMENT.”**