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Because God is loyal and faithful

Ps. 27:14 Wait on the LORD; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart; wait, I say, on the LORD!

The Hebrew word for wait is **kav veh** which means *to patiently wait and hope for*. There is a line in the movie *The Hunger Games - The Mockingjay*, that has a very familiar ring to it. The president tells the game-maker that there is one thing that is more powerful than fear; and that is hope. David professes his hope in the only One that we can truly trust, and that is the LORD. The prophet Isaiah had also made this statement in **Isa. 40:28, 31** *He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. 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.*

When we put our hope totally on God, He will do something supernatural in us; He will strengthen our hearts. Strengthen literally means to give us courage that we didn't have on our own. It means to supernaturally make us stronger with His strength in us. And it is in this kind of strength that we can face the attacks of this world and be empowered with the LORD's strength. **Dt. 20:4** *For the LORD your God is the One Who goes with you to fight for you against your enemies to give you victory.*

Most of the time, (if you are like me) I don't like to wait. I become very impatient. I hate standing in long lines that seem they will never end. But waiting and patience go hand in hand. To wait means we have to turn it over to the One Who can handle any situation or problem. In fact, He's the only One with the power to truly effect a change.

Dear LORD, help us to wait upon You. We are an impatient lot. We want what we want most of the time. LORD, change our heart's desire into Your heart's desire. Thank You LORD, In Jesus Name, Amen