

## **God's Clock**

**Monday, February 18th, 2008**

**READY:** "Wait for the LORD; be courageous and let your heart be strong. Wait for the LORD." -Psalm 27:14

**SET:** Does the word "wait" cause the hair on the back of your neck to rise like it does mine? As an endurance athlete, a lot of my training can last for several hours. An example would be this past weekend. I am a few weeks away from a marathon, and I had a 20-mile run scheduled. Before the first mile was completed I was already thinking, "Wouldn't it be great if this was mile 19 and I only had one mile to go?" I was wishing that I could fast-forward through my run and just see the end results.

Later, I began to wonder. . . How many times do we do this with God? As Christians, many of us give our time to minister, teach, serve and study God's Word. But how many of us just go through the motions or ask God to fast-forward us through troubling times? Many times we think we are too busy to wait on God, and we only want to see the end results. I'm sure we have all learned from experience that God's clock is not always set to our clock. We must be willing to wait for the Lord, and He will get us through our situations.

Here's the challenge: Be thankful God doesn't use our clock! For a lot of us, our clock or final buzzer would have gone off without God.

### **GO:**

1. Do you find yourself asking God to get you to the end of troubling times?
2. Do you look for the reward without putting in the hard work?
3. Do you wake up in the morning looking forward to going to bed at night?
4. Do you praise God when you do come through the storms of life?