

## The Wait

1 Peter 1:3-12

*All these, having gained approval through their faith, did not receive what was promised, because God had provided something better for us, so that apart from us they would not be made perfect. (Hebrews 11:39-40, NASB)*

We've read of the triumphant faith of Abraham, Moses, the prophets, and so many more. But realize that none of them received the fulfillment of God's promises in their lifetimes. They died trusting God. They died believing He would do all He had said. But they never saw it happen.

We have seen it - that is, we have seen Jesus Christ. He is the fulfillment of all God's promises.

*As many as are the promises of God, in [Christ Jesus] they are yes.  
(2 Corinthians 1:20, NASB)*

In Christ, God's revelation of Himself is complete.

In Christ, our cleansing from all our wrongness is complete.

In Christ, our reconciliation with God is complete. God has joyfully removed every barrier between Him and us. We have full, unrestricted access to Him, anytime, anywhere.

In Christ, He has fully equipped us to live holy, godly lives.

In Christ, He has fully provided for our eternal future. All that our all-wise, all-powerful, all-loving Father ever wanted for us He has given in Jesus Christ.

All these heroes of the faith had to wait until our day to see God's promises fulfilled in Jesus. Now together we look for the full revelation of Jesus Christ and all God has completed in Him.

*Serving our wonderful Father  
in such an evil world  
makes our lives a rich fabric of  
pressure and peace,  
pain and pleasure,  
injustice and mercy,  
mourning and rejoicing,  
ever dying and ever rising again.  
Through all this we are sharing in  
the life and love of the Living Christ.*

*What a privilege!*

Hymn: [Complete in Jesus Christ](#)

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