

January 7, 2018 Sermon Series Just Plain Folks Like Us! "WAIT!" Text: Luke 1

**Big Idea**: The foundation of our faith is based upon waiting with <u>godly</u> <u>endurance</u> as God continues to work in our lives and in our world.

## Observations to help us wait for God to occupy our lives for His glory:

# I. God occupies our lives according to His *timing*.

God often "waits" in order to: *Display* His glory, to *dispense* His grace and to *develop* my character.

### II. God occupies our lives in very personal ways.

If I belong to God, I can be sure that He is going to be encountering my life, in order to *form Christ in me*! (Gal.4:19)

## III. God occupies my life according to His *methods*.

God's primary method of speaking to people today is still through <u>*His*</u> <u>*Word*</u> and <u>*in prayer*</u>.

### IV. God occupies our lives according to His *purposes*.

Because God is sovereign, my reasonable response to waiting is always complete and surrendered obedience in <u>daily ways</u>.

### **Conclusion**:

"Lord, I believe You are *baking something* for your glory out of this."