

Dwelling Below with Saints We Know

Ephesians 4:2

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The Big Idea: Patience and loving tolerance are two necessary components of living out the gospel in unity.

I. The Attitude of Patience (Psalm 103:8, 10, 13-14; 1 Peter 2:21-23)

1. What patience is

Literally- "long-tempered"

Patience is enduring annoyances and difficult people without getting upset.

- 2. The best evidence for our lack of patience is...lines.
- 3. Patience requires that we renounce the tyranny of our own agendas.
- 4. What about the person who really provokes you?

II. The Attitude of Loving Tolerance

- 1. What loving tolerance is
- 2. Tolerance is a buzzword.
 - · The culture's meaning
 - · The Bible's meaning
- 3. Loving tolerance requires that we renounce our preferences.
- 4. Are there exceptions to loving tolerance?
 - · In your response Yes
 - In the way you respond No

Don't just try harder! Allow the Spirit to change your heart as you draw closer to Christ through His Word, prayer, and fellowship with His people.