



Mother's Day
Sunday, May 9, 2021

Sermon Title:
"When God Puts You on Hold"

Text: Matthew 15:20-28

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Big Idea: When it feels like God puts you "**on hold**," don't "**hang up**" before your faith has the opportunity to bear obedient fruit for God's purpose.

How can my faith grow when I feel like I've been "put on hold" by God?

1) Faith grows when I **persevere**. (Matthew 15:22-23)

2) Faith grows when I view **Jesus** as central to God's grace.
(Matthew 15:24-27 / Ephesians 2:8-9 / Romans 5:8)

3) Faith grows when I **personally submit** to God's grace. (Matthew 15:28)

My submission to God frees me to **personally receive** His grace and then **serve others** with that grace.

Jesus is still in the "**coming-over-to-help-us**" business, and His followers are partners in that business.

Study/Application Questions and Actions:

How do you "keep your cool" when some organization you are phoning puts you on hold?

What are some examples of how you feel "put on hold" by God in your life? What would be an example of "hanging up" on God rather than "hanging in there" with God?

Saving faith has been described with three r's: repentant, respectful, and relentless. Which one is most difficult for you?

How can believers find joy in the act of submitting to Christ even though this concept feels very foreign in our entitled world?

We haven't completed the act of submission to Christ until it results in serving others. How can you do that this week?

SERMON NOTES



What I learned

Today's Bible Verse



My Prayer