## **Patience**

 Do you have any pet peeves? (what situations do you find yourself the most impatient?)

We live in a culture of impatience, where we continually feel the need to do more and be faster, making patience a rare commodity. Yet, patience is central to God's character and how He chooses to love and lead us.

## Read 2 Peter 3:8-9 & Romans 2:4

- Why is God patient with sinners?
- How does God's patience and restraint lead people to believe more than His wrath?

## Read Psalm 78:38

- How has God been patient with you?
- In what area of your life are you struggling to demonstrate patience?

Parenting is SLOW work. Instilling values and shaping mature followers of Jesus takes time. In a microwave world, parenting is crock-pot work. Patience is both incredibly important and difficult in the work of parenting.

## Read Proverbs 16:32

- What makes a patient person more influential than a mighty one? What does that look like in parenting?
- What has parenting taught you about God's patience?
- What are some practical ways we can attempt to be more patient in our parenting?