

Soaring like an Eagle

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Isaiah 40:31

1. Eagle – symbol of power, courage, and keen vision:

- **Builds nest** - high up a tree or on a rocky ledge
- **Vision** – can spot a prey from a mile and a half up in the sky
- **Has a wing span** - 6 to 7 ½ feet wide
- **Soars** - on jet streams of air

2. Wait on the Lord for what:

- **For instructions** – Moses told the priest that had touched a dead body to wait until he received instructions from the Lord as to whether they could offer sacrifices or not.
- **If God permitted a tragedy** - then why should I wait on Him? Because at his set time, he will send deliverance, but if you have fainted and gone to the arms of flesh, you will not live to see the blessing of His deliverance.
- **Bring your request to him** – and David said to wait expectantly for his help
- **He give** - strength to the weary and power to him who lacks might

3. Though vigorous young men stumble and grow weary and tired, those that wait:

- Will gain new strength
- Will mount up with wings like eagles
- Will run and not be tired
- Will walk and become weary

4. Wait on the Lord: (Qavah) to expect, to look for patiently, to trust

- **Have you not heard** - that the eternal God does not grow tired or weary?
- **Why say my** - way is hid from the Lord? My justice due me escapes the notice of my God?
- **Psalm 27:14** “Wait on the Lord ; be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart; wait I say, on the Lord.”

5. **Eagle mottos** – once a year it sheds its old worn feathers for a new set and its strength is renewed.
6. **Build nest high on a cliff for 3 reasons:**
 - **Protection** from enemies
 - **High perch** for survey of territory below
 - **Energy** saving launch pad
7. **God's word is to us as the eagle's nest is to the eagle**
 - It is our shield from the enemies of our souls
 - Gives us a strategic view to the world around us – warns us of dangers
 - Launching from the eternal word we can soar upon the winds of the Holy Spirit

*** He who waits on the LORD loses nothing,
but gains the advantages of a mighty eagle ***