Good morning Lord,

What a glorious morning!!! I actually woke up with a smile on my face, and in a state of pure contentment. Awesome. Thanks. Just hope I will end the day the same way. I'll give it my best shot, of course I will count on Your help along the way.

I have come to realize that there are so many areas in my life that require patience.

What is most amusing to me is that the more I pray for patience, the more opportunities You allow to be put in my path to exercise this virtue. You really do have a unique sense of humor and a one-of-a-kind way of teaching. That's why You're God and I am not. For that, I am truly grateful.

So, this morning, I pray that You would help me to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which I have been called with all humility and gentleness. With patience, bearing with others in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Ephesians 4:1-3). Please increase my patience with the people in my life. I pray that You will help me not to grow weary of doing good, but to serve patiently, understanding that in due season I will reap the fruits of my labor, if I do not give up (Galatians 6:9).

Dear Heavenly Father, how I praise You for being gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love! Too often, I grow impatient when things don't go according to my plan, or when people don't behave the way I think they should. I know this controlling tendency is a sinful desire to usurp the authority that only ever belongs to You. Please forgive me, and help me to be patient with others, as You have been patient with me. Please grant me Your grace that enables me to wait patiently for Your return, and to labor steadfastly in the meantime. It's in the name of my Savior, Jesus Christ, that I pray for Your blessing. Amen.

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