

Il Tim 3:10-11 - But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience, 11
Persecutions, afflictions...

- GENERALLY A GODLY TRAIT
 - Exo 34:6 And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth,
 - Num 14:18 The LORD is longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression...

GENERALLY A GODLY TRAIT

- Psa 86:15 But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.
- Jer 15:15 O LORD, thou knowest: remember me, and visit me, and revenge me of my persecutors; take me not away in thy longsuffering: know that for thy sake I have suffered rebuke.

GENERALLY A GODLY TRAIT

- Rom 2:4 Or despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering...?
- Rom 9:22 What if God, willing to shew his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction:
- I Pet 3:20 Which sometime were disobedient, when once **the longsuffering of God** waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.

WONDERFUL PARTNERS

Mercy Ex 34:6, Num 14:18, Ps 86:15, Col 3:12, I Tim 1:16

Meekness Gal 5:23, Eph 4:2, Col 3:12

Goodness Ex 34:6, Rom 2:4, Gal 5:22

Love II Cor 6:6, Gal 5:22, Eph 4:2

Gracious Ex 34:6, Ps 86:15

Truth Ex 34:6, Ps 86:15

Forbearance Rom 2:4, Eph 4:2

Kindness II Cor 6:6, Col 3:12

Joy Gal 5:22, Col 1:11

WONDERFUL PARTNERS

Forgiveness Num 14:18

Compassion Psa 86:15

Repentance Rom 2:4

Pureness II Cor 6:6

Knowledge II Cor 6:6

Peace Gal 5:22

Gentleness Gal 5:22

Faith Gal 5:22

Temperance Gal 5:23

Lowliness Eph 4:2

Strength Col 1:11

Patience Col 1:11

Humbleness Col 3:12

Salvation II Pet 3:15

PATIENCE

GENERALLY A HUMANTRAIT

- Associated with waiting
 - Psa 37:7 Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him...
 - Psa 40:1 I waited patiently for the LORD; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.
 - Rom 8:25 But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.
 - II Thes 3:5 And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the **patient waiting** for Christ.

PATIENCE

GENERALLY A HUMANTRAIT

- Associated with work/fruit
 - Luk 8:15 But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth **fruit** with **patience**.
 - Rom 5:3-4 And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; 4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope:
 - Jas 1:3 Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.
 - Rev 2:2 I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience...

PATIENCE

GENERALLY A HUMANTRAIT

- Evidenced
 - Pastors/Deacons: ITim 3:3, 6:11, IITim 2:24, Titus 2:2
 - Jas 5:10 Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience.
 - Rev 2:2 I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience...
 - Rev 2:19 I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works..
 - Rev 14:12 Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

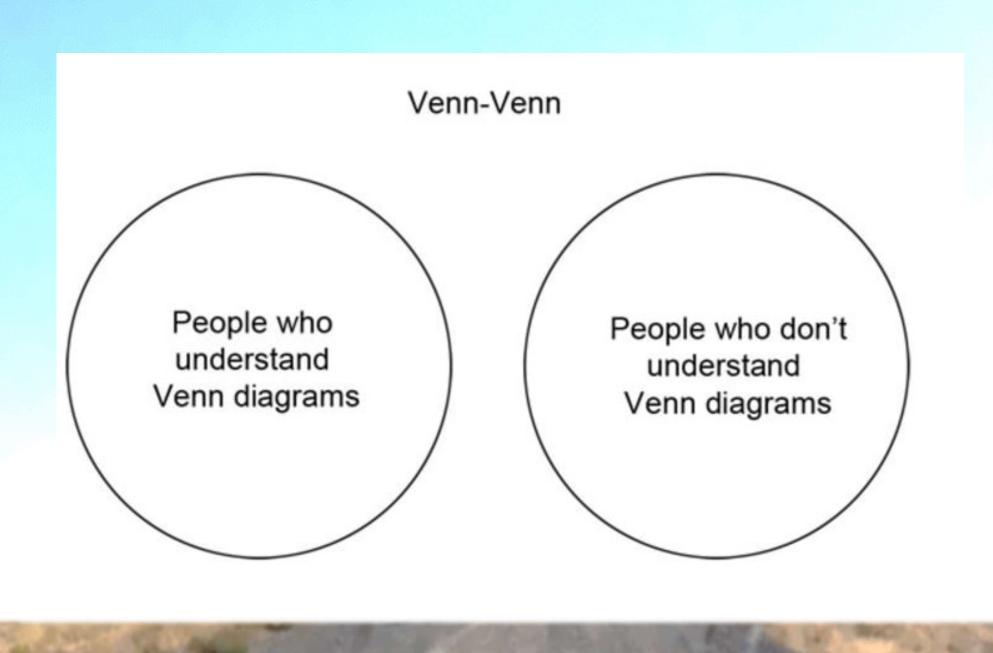
LONGSUFFERING & PATIENCE

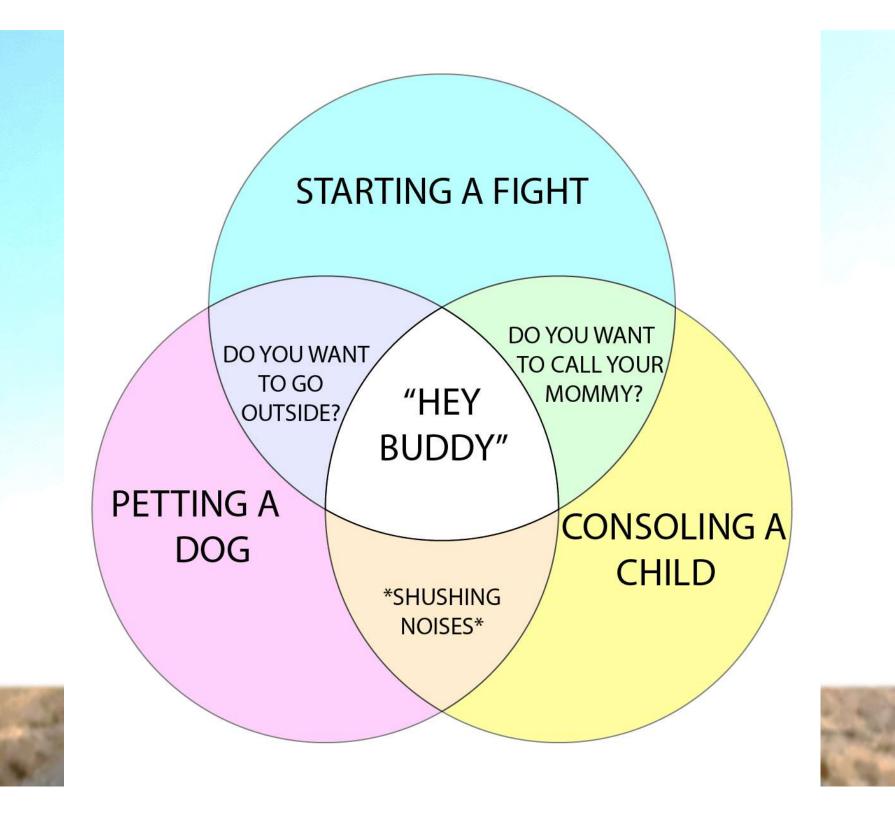
WHAT IS LONGSUFFERING?

 The ability to endure hardness or difficulty without losing faith or hope, or otherwise reacting through a change of course

WHAT IS PATIENCE?

• The ability to endure hardness or difficulty without complaining, murmuring, annoyance or discontentment







Give me your money Put your hands up

Bank

Are you with me?

Robbers Everybody on the floor

DJs

LONGSUFFERING & PATIENCE

Longsuffering

Often attributed to God in scripture and to be a goal for humans

Fruit of the Spirit

Not losing faith, hope, or reacting through change of actions

The ability to wait, endure or persevere despite hardship or circumstances

Patience

Not allowing the situation to impact emotions (or cause sin)

Overwhelmingly attributed to humans in scripture

Evidence of the Spirit working to overcome the old man

WHY DOES GOD TEACH US LONGSUFFERING & PATIENCE

• I Tim 1:16 - Howbeit for this cause I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might shew forth all longsuffering, for a pattern to them which should hereafter believe on him to life everlasting.

• Jas 1:4 - But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

Remember that difficulties are allowed in your life to GROW YOU and to POINT OTHERS TO CHRIST

HAS A PURPOSE

• I Cor 8:1 - Now as touching things offered unto idols, we know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffeth up, but charity edifieth.

IS THE GREATEST

• I Cor 13:13 - And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

• IS TO BE PURSUED

- I Cor 14:1 Follow after charity, and desire spiritual gifts, but rather that ye may prophesy.
- II Tim 2:22 Flee also youthful lusts: but **follow** righteousness, faith, **charity**, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

IS THE BE PUT ON

 Col 3:14 - And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

COVERS SINS

• I Pet 4:8 - And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.

DOESN'T FAIL

• I Cor 13:8 - Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.

IS EVIDENT

• Rev 2:19 - I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first.

ACCOMPANIES WORKS

• I Cor 16:14 - Let all your things be done with charity.

IS GENUINE

• ITim 1:5 - Now the end of the commandment is **charity out of a pure** heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned:

- IS LONGSUFFERING
- IS KIND
- DOESN'T ENVY
- NOT SELF SERVING
- NOT BOASTFUL
 - I Cor 13:4 Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

Your CHARITY should be a clear OUTFLOWING of your relationship with CHRIST and PEOPLE.

