

An Impatient World

In 1994, the British Broadcasting Corporation produced a radio program perfectly designed for the patience level of people in our fast-changing, fast-paced culture. The drama series, entitled *The Telephone Box*, had three episodes. Each episode was one minute long. The entire story lasted three minutes.

Script writer Wally Daly said, "It is a real play and fulfills all the criteria, having a beginning, middle and end."

Here's the clincher: All three episodes played on the same day, interspersed with music, because if there were a week between episodes, Daly explained, listeners would not remember what had happened.

That's a far cry from the radio show days of *The Lone Ranger*, *The Green Hornet*, *Fibber McGee and Molly*, *Amos and Andy*, and others.

Sometimes we want God to work in our lives at the same speed as *The Telephone Box*. But God often works on a far different timetable.

Most of us can identify with the woman who prayed, "Lord, give me patience, and give it to me now."

--Beecher Hunter