

There Has Been No Delay

2 Peter 3:8-18

But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

- You cannot perceive Gods position based on our current dimension. God created times and dimensions.
- God is superior to time and ends time at the end of this dispensation culminating after the 1,000-year reign. Revelation 10:6 **King James Version (KJV)** ... and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there **should be time no longer**..
- The best way to compare Gods dimension and our dimension he gives an analogy or comparison “a day is as a thousand years” Your 1000 to a day. So, he’s only been gone a couple of days.

⁹The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

- Any length of time is solely due to Gods mercy in trying to give the unrepented time to turn to him.

¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

- It will come unexpectedly for most of the world and then culminates with heaven and earth being renovated and reconfigured for John saw a “New Heaven and A New Earth”
- All unclean works shall be dissolved!

¹¹ Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness

- Most don't see or take it into consideration when making their decisions and choices
- Thus, our conversations are carnal, selfish, appealing to the sensual and appetites of mankind.
- To understand that there is no delay and God was not holding it back or reluctant to execute is due to our own concept of time anxiousness.

¹² Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat.

- Why would you hasten something you're feeling you're not ready for or won't be rewarding and fulfilling?

- If there are regrets, then he is not God. If there is remorse for his dimension, then we have not arrived.
- There is no pleasure you could possibly create here on earth that would even rank in Heaven.

¹³ Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

- We look to it knowing that it is God deems his Best!

¹⁴ Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

- Beloved are warned
- You have to work at it, it doesn't come easy so you must be "diligent"
- Working at spending time with Shalom,
- Without spot – no unconfessed sin you feel you have privilege to. As the Catholics we must have daily time with him which includes examination and confession.
⁵ Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates? 2nd Corinthians 5:5-7

¹⁵ **And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also**

according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;

- Peter was aware of the letter they have received by the apostle Paul. The 5-fold ministry is so important as they exhort and confirm one another and edify one another.

¹⁶ As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.

- There will be a deliberate attempt to confuse and alter the prophetic word concerning the return of Jesus Christ and we must be diligent to keep our focus.

¹⁷ Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness.

- Oh My! You may know these things before it all happens but not understanding that the Lord is not slack, but people have become slack concerning this promise to cause many to be unaware.
- Luke 21-34 And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares.

¹⁸ But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever. Amen.

- . MAKE UP YOUR MIND TO GROW!**