

But we are looking forward to the new heavens and new earth
he has promised, a world filled with God's righteousness.

– 2 Peter 3:11 NLT

“He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more
death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things
has passed away.” – Revelation 21:4 NIV

GET _____

And remember, our Lord's patience gives people time to be
saved. – 2 Peter 3:15a NLT

but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts / Always be prepared
to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason
for the hope that you have. – 1 Peter 3:15 NASB/NIV

*Our commission to make disciples (followers of Jesus who live like Jesus) is given
in Matthew 28:18-20 among other places, and includes bringing people to faith
(baptizing) and apprenticing them in the faith (teaching). Text baptism to
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Let us celebrate your decision & resource you for your new life in Christ.

IN CONCLUSION: DON'T TRIP UP, GROW UP! – 2 PETER 3:17-18

...be on guard.....grow in the grace and knowledge of our
Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. – 2 Peter 3:17-18 NLT

TALK IT OVER

*Answer these questions with others to reflect upon and apply
what you've heard. Watching online? Discuss in person or online
with others who watched. On site? Our service includes time to
circle up and discuss.*

1. **Has there been a time where “wait” felt like “no” in your life?**
2. **Review 2 Peter 3:9. What purpose does God have for delaying judgment? What does this reveal about God's character?**
3. **Which of the three aspects of readiness (take out the trash, look forward & get busy) is most applicable to your life and why?**

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2ND PETER

GROW IN THE GRACE & KNOWLEDGE OF OUR
LORD & SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST.

– 2 PETER 3:18 NLT

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TODAY'S MESSAGE GOD'S DELAYS

TODAY: WAITING • 2 PETER 3:1-18

THE BOTTOM LINE

**GOD'S _____ ARE NOT
HIS _____**

The Lord isn't really being slow about his promise, as
some people think. No, he is being patient for your sake.

He does not want anyone to be destroyed, but wants
everyone to repent. – 2 Peter 3:9 NLT

THE STORY SO FAR: STIRRED UP – 2 PETER 3:1-2

THE PROBLEM: CORRUPTION FROM

_____ WITHIN

This is my second letter to you, dear friends, and in both of them

I have tried to stimulate your wholesome thinking and
refresh your memory. – 2 Peter 3:1 NLT

THE CORE APPLICATION:

Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus
Christ – 2 Peter 3:18 NLT

THE KEY TRUTH:
THERE IS _____

THAT'S THE TESTIMONY OF _____

I want you to remember what the holy prophets said long ago
and what our Lord and Savior commanded through
your apostles. – 2 Peter 3:2 NLT

IT'S PERFECTLY IN LINE WITH GOD'S

THE FALSE TEACHERS'
EVIL ACTIONS _____ IT.

IT'S NO LESS _____ FOR ANY DELAY.

This is the point of the section of the letter we're looking at today. 🎯

GOD'S DELAYS ARE NOT HIS DENIALS – 2 PETER 3:3-10

THE _____ ARE _____

First off, I want to remind you that in the last days scoffers will
come, mocking the truth and following their own desires.
– 2 Peter 3:3 MSG/NLT

They will say, "What happened to the promise that Jesus is
coming again? From before the times of our ancestors,
everything has remained the same since the world
was first created." – 2 Peter 3:4 NLT

THIS HAS HAPPENED _____ &
IT'S _____ TO HAPPEN AGAIN

They deliberately forget that God made the heavens long ago
by the word of his command, and he brought the earth out from
the water and surrounded it with water. Then he used the water
to destroy the ancient world with a mighty flood.
– 2 Peter 3:5-6 NLT

The current galaxies and earth are fuel for the final fire. God is
poised, ready to speak his word again, ready to give the signal
for the judgment and destruction of the desecrating skeptics.
– 2 Peter 3:7 MSG

The sky will collapse with a thunderous bang, everything
disintegrating in a raging inferno, earth and all its works
exposed to the scrutiny of Judgment. – 2 Peter 3:10b MSG

_____ TIMING IS NOT _____ TIMING

For in your sight a thousand years are like yesterday that passes
by, like a few hours of the night. – Psalm 90:4 CSB

But you must not forget this one thing, dear friends: A day is like
a thousand years to the Lord, and a thousand years is like a day.
– 2 Peter 3:8 NLT

The Lord isn't really being slow about his promise, as some
people think. No, he is being patient for your sake. He does not
want anyone to be destroyed, but wants everyone to repent.
– 2 Peter 3:9 NLT

WHAT TO DO WHILE I'M WAITING FOR GOD TO COME THROUGH – 2 PETER 3:10-16

THE CHALLENGE

GET _____

But the day of the Lord will come as unexpectedly as a thief.
– 2 Peter 3:10a NLT

*Jesus' teaching from Matthew 24 likening Jesus' second coming to the
unexpectedness of a thief at night is picked up by multiple New Testament authors
including Peter (2 Peter 3:10), Paul (1 Thessalonians 5:2), and John (Revelation 3:3,
16:15).*

"So you, too, must keep watch! For you don't know what day
your Lord is coming...You also must be ready all the time, for
the Son of Man will come when least expected."
– Matthew 24:42, 44 NLT

TAKE OUT THE _____

Since everything around us is going to be destroyed like this,
what holy and godly lives you should live, – 2 Peter 3:11 NLT

And so, dear friends, while you are waiting for these things to
happen, make every effort to be found living peaceful lives that
are pure and blameless in his sight. – 2 Peter 3:14 NLT

LOOK _____

looking forward to the day of God and hurrying it along.
– 2 Peter 3:12a NLT

For "hurrying" think cheering it on, not influencing its timing.