

There is always time to wait for God

- 🎨 A time for everything – Eccl 3: 1, Gen 1:1
- 🎨 Vision – Hab 2:3
- 🎨 God doesn't rush – Gal 4:4, Rom 5:6 (Noah, Abraham, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, Joshua, Nehemiah, Esther, David etc)
- 🎨 Simeon & Anna – Like 2:25-38
- 🎨 Jesus with Lazarus - John 11:1-16
- 🎨 Wait - Luke 24: 49, Acts 1: 4-5 [*Tarry – kathizo*]
- 🎨 Be ready – Luke 12:35-38, Matt 24:44, Matt 25:1-13, Mk 13:35
- 🎨 Alpha & Omega – Rev 1:8

Slow is fast

Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NKJV)

¹ To everything *there is* a season, A time for every purpose under heaven:

Genesis 1:1 (NKJV)

¹ In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Habakkuk 2:3 (NKJV)

³ For the vision *is* yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; Because it will surely come, It will not tarry.

Galatians 4:4 (NKJV)

⁴ But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law,

Romans 5:6 (NKJV)

⁶ For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

Luke 2:25-35 (NKJV) - Simeon

²⁵ And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him.

²⁶ And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

²⁷ So he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law,

²⁸ he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said:

²⁹ "Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, According to Your word;

³⁰ For my eyes have seen Your salvation

³¹ Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples,

³² A light to *bring* revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel."

³³ And Joseph and His mother marveled at those things which were spoken of Him.

³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, "Behold, this *Child* is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against

³⁵ (yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

Luke 2:36-38 (NKJV) - Anna

³⁶ Now there was one, Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, and had lived with a husband seven years from her virginity;

³⁷ and this woman *was* a widow of about eighty-four years, who did not depart from the temple, but served *God* with fastings and prayers night and day.

³⁸ And coming in that instant she gave thanks to the Lord, and spoke of Him to all those who looked for redemption in Jerusalem.

John 11:1-16 (NKJV)

¹ Now a certain *man* was sick, Lazarus of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha.

² It was *that* Mary who anointed the Lord with fragrant oil and wiped His feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick.

³ Therefore the sisters sent to Him, saying, "Lord, behold, he whom You love is sick."

⁴ When Jesus heard *that*, He said, "This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

⁵ Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus.

⁶ So, when He heard that he was sick, He stayed two more days in the place where He was.

⁷ Then after this He said to *the* disciples, "Let us go to Judea again."

⁸ *The* disciples said to Him, "Rabbi, lately the Jews sought to stone You, and are You going there again?"

⁹ Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world.

¹⁰ But if one walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him."

¹¹ These things He said, and after that He said to them, "Our friend Lazarus sleeps, but I go that I may wake him up."

¹² Then His disciples said, "Lord, if he sleeps he will get well."

¹³ However, Jesus spoke of his death, but they thought that He was speaking about taking rest in sleep.

¹⁴ Then Jesus said to them plainly, "Lazarus is dead.

¹⁵ And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, that you may believe. Nevertheless let us go to him."

¹⁶ Then Thomas, who is called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with Him."

Luke 24:44-49 (NKJV)

⁴⁴ Then He said to them, "These *are* the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and *the* Prophets and *the* Psalms concerning Me."

⁴⁵ And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures.

⁴⁶ Then He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day,

⁴⁷ and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

⁴⁸ And you are witnesses of these things.

⁴⁹ Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but **tarry** in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high."

kathizo⁻

kath-id'-zo

Another (active) form for [G2516](#); to *seat down*, that is, *set* (figuratively *appoint*); intransitively to *sit* (down); figuratively to *settle* (*hover, dwell*): - continue, set, sit (down), tarry.

Acts 1:4-11 (NKJV)

⁴ And being assembled together with *them*, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," *He said*, "you have heard from Me;

⁵ for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

⁶ Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?"

⁷ And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority.

⁸ But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

⁹ Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight.

¹⁰ And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them

in white apparel,

¹¹ who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This *same* Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven."

Luke 12:35-38 (NKJV)

³⁵ "Let your waist be girded and *your* lamps burning;

³⁶ and you yourselves be like men who wait for their master, when he will return from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may open to him immediately.

³⁷ Blessed *are* those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching. Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down *to eat*, and will come and serve them.

³⁸ And if he should come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find *them* so, blessed are those servants.

Matthew 24:44 (NKJV)

⁴⁴ Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Matthew 25:1-13 (NKJV)

¹ "Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.

² Now five of them were wise, and five *were* foolish.

³ Those who *were* foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them,

⁴ but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

⁵ But while the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept.

⁶ And at midnight a cry was *heard*: 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!'

⁷ Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps.

⁸ And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us *some* of your oil, for our lamps are going out.'

⁹ But the wise answered, saying, '*No*, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.'

¹⁰ And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut.

¹¹ Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!'

¹² But he answered and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.'

¹³ Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.

Mark 13:35 (NKJV)

³⁵ Watch therefore, for you do not know when the master of the house is coming--in the evening, at midnight, at the crowing of the rooster, or in the morning--

Revelation 1:8 (NKJV)

⁸ "I am the Alpha and the Omega, *the* Beginning and *the* End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

John 7:30-31 (NKJV)

³⁰ Therefore they sought to take Him; but no one laid a hand on Him, because His hour had not yet come.

³¹ And many of the people believed in Him, and said, "When the Christ comes, will He do more signs than these which this *Man* has done?"

Ephesians 1:10 (NKJV)

¹⁰ that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth--in Him.

1 Timothy 2:3-4 (NKJV)

³ For this *is* good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior,
⁴ who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

1 Timothy 6:15 (NKJV)

¹⁵ which He will manifest in His own time, *He who is* the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords,

Titus 1:3 (NKJV)

³ but has in due time manifested His word through preaching, which was committed to me according to the commandment of God our Savior;

1 Peter 1:20-21 (NKJV)

²⁰ He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you
²¹ who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Revelation 1:3 (NKJV)

³ Blessed *is* he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time *is* near.

Galatians 1:11-18 (NKJV)

¹¹ But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man.
¹² For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught *it*, but *it came* through the revelation of Jesus Christ.
¹³ For you have heard of my former conduct in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and *tried to* destroy it.
¹⁴ And I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers.
¹⁵ But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb and called *me* through His grace,
¹⁶ to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood,
¹⁷ nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those *who were* apostles before me; but I went to Arabia, and returned again to Damascus.
¹⁸ Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and remained with him fifteen days.