

GOD HAS A PLAN

Jesus' Resume

- *Descendant of Abraham (Gen 22:18 KJV)*
- *Born of a Virgin (Isaiah 7:14)*
- *Born in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2)*
- *Came out of Egypt (Hosea 11:1)*
- *Raised in Galilee (Isaiah 9:1-2)*
- *Rode in on a Donkey (Zec 9:9)*
- *They pierced His hands & feet. (Psalm 22:16)*
- *Divided His garments among them (Ps 22:18)*
- *Cast lots for His clothing (Ps 22:18)*
- *Not one of his bones broken (Ps 34:20)*

(2 Peter 3:1-3 NIV)

Dear friends, this is now my second letter to you. I have written both of them as reminders to stimulate you to wholesome thinking.

I want you to recall the words spoken in the past by the holy prophets and the command given by our Lord and Savior through your apostles.

First of all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires.

(2 Peter 3:4-6 NIV)

They will say, "Where is this 'coming' he promised? Ever since our fathers died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation."

But they deliberately forget that long ago by God's word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water and by water. By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed.

(2 Peter 3:7-9 NIV)

By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day.

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

Scoffers

(2 Pet 3:3-4 NIV) First of all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. They will say, "Where is this 'coming' he promised? Ever since our fathers died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation."

Ungodly Desires

(Jude 1:18-19 NIV) They said to you, "In the last times there will be scoffers who will follow their own ungodly desires." These are the men who divide you, who follow mere natural instincts and do not have the Spirit.

Man without the Spirit

(1 Cor 2:14 NIV) The man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned.

Judgment

(2 Pet 3:7 NIV) By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

God's Timing

(2 Pet 3:8 NIV) But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day.

God's ways are higher

(Isa 55:8-9 NIV) "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."

The secret things

(Deu 29:29 NIV) The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may follow all the words of this law.

God's purpose

(2 Pet 3:9 NIV) The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

The narrow road

(Mat 7:13 NIV) "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it."

Question 1

What is God doing **in this situation?**

God works for the good

*(Rom 8:28 NIV) And we know that **in all things** God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.*

Question 2

How might God get glory in this situation?
situation?

God may be praised

*(1 Pet 4:11 NIV) If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that **in all things** God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.*

Question 3

What is God teaching me **in this situation?**

Grow up in Him

*(Eph 4:15 NIV) Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will **in all things** grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.*

Question 4

What is God asking of me **in this situation?**

Abound in every good work

*(2 Cor 9:8 NIV) And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that **in all things** at all times, having all that you need, you will **abound in every good work**.*

CONCLUSION