

# Why He Delays

by F.B. Meyer

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*God's delays are not due to caprice or neglect, but rather due to His love and desire to provide what is best for us.*

**Scripture:** Psalm 139:17, Isaiah 30:18, Hebrews 12:6

**Topics:** "Divine Timing", "God's Love and Care"

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## Description

F.B. Meyer explores the theme of divine delays in his sermon 'Why He Delays,' emphasizing that God's waiting is not due to favoritism, neglect, or denial. He reassures us that God treats each individual according to their unique needs and circumstances, demonstrating His love and care. Meyer illustrates that God's delays are purposeful, allowing blessings to accumulate and be more impactful when they arrive. He reminds us that we are cherished by God, who never forgets us, and that His timing is always perfect for our growth and benefit.

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## Transcript

"Therefore will the LORD wait...wait for him"

(Isa. 30:18).

He does not delay because of any caprice. We must not think that heaven has favorites, who are always served first. There is no partiality or favoritism with our Father. He chastens those whom He loves. The first come last. Each is dealt with according to his own merits, and on the ground of the peculiar necessities of his case.

He does not delay because of any neglect. A woman may forget her sucking child, but our Saviour cannot forget us. We are graven as with a point of the rugged nail on the palms of his hand. We are his babes, needing hourly attention; the members of His body fed by His constant life; the constituent parts of His Bride, whom He nourishes and cherishes as Himself. Sooner might His right hand forget its cunning than he not count us above His chief joy.

He does not delay because He denies. Our heart sometimes so interprets His dealings; but they do not really mean what our timorous faith reads into them. The remittance is not sent as asked; yet that does not prove that it is not there in our name, but only that it is being kept at interest, accumulating till it reach a higher figure and be more of service, because coming at a time of greater need. No! His delays are the

children of his love. He waits that He may be gracious, He dams up the current, that by holding it back it may become a swifter, fuller stream.

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