

"Why the Delay in the Lord's Coming" or

"Love Me or Hate Me, I must See It"

If you would Read Revelation Chapter 22 Verse 20 you would find these

words "He who testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly, Amen" And the Response was, "Even so, Come Lord Jesus"

Now who is He who testifieth? // None other than the Lord Jesus"

And what was His promise? Surely I come quickly" And John said: "Amen come Lord Jesus" Amen

Now we know that many many years have come and gone since those words were spoken // And many people will tell you "The Delay in that happening is proof the Bible is a myth"

But is it? Absolutely Not  
You see many misunderstood the message Jesus was delivering =

He Was Saying: "These events recorded  
herein with devolves soon" ~~AM~~  
you will read with soon come to pass

And thus John's Response by saying:  
"Lord, I am so Anxious, Let it Be"

John was Anxious for Jesus to Come,  
Are you?

"John was Anxious to be in the  
Very Presence of Jesus Again"

To See His Face // See His Hands, His  
Side And His feet // John was  
Anxious to fall at the feet of  
Jesus and worship Him // To  
Give Honor & Glory to Him  
~~And~~?

For John knew & Acknowledged in his  
heart that Jesus Alone was worthy //  
And I say Again, "John was Anxious  
to see Jesus And I Ask again  
Are you?"

Oh but even in our Day the Question  
is still Asked, "Why the delay?"

2) What is He waiting on // why hasn't He come?

Folks, I believe Jesus is waiting on us // you and me who are saved // what do you mess Bracher?

What you asked // "I believe Jesus is waiting on you and me to do the work He left us to do" And He did

well what is the work Jesus left for us to do? would you know to do it. 28:19 & 20 Here's what Jesus said just before He returned to glory.

"Go ye therefore and teach all nations baptizing them in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you" And folks, we haven't done that yet // So Jesus is tarrying His coming // I believe waiting on us."

I also Read in Acts 1:8 how Jesus  
Gave this Command: "And ye shall  
"Be witnesses unto me (of me)  
Both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea  
And in Samaria, and unto the  
uttermost part of the earth" After  
you Allow the Holy Spirit to Control you!!!

And Honest Folks will Admit, "We haven't  
Done that yet" // So Very Likely the  
Lord is Delaying His Coming  
Because fewer folks have not been  
faithful to His Command —

Don't you Honestly believe that if  
we were Really Anxious for the  
Lord's Return that we would be  
Busy doing the work He's left  
us to do? //

oh listen,  
Love me or Hate me, But I must  
tell you what I believe the Lord  
would have me say "I believe that  
a person who puts Jesus First is  
Anxious for His Return"

3/ I believe the person who is trying  
to reach the lost is a personal soul  
winning effort in America to see Jesus  
What about it?

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The marching orders Jesus left the church  
are simple **Go - Tell - Disciple**  
Our knowledge as saved people is to  
Tell the world that Jesus loves them

To tell Men, Women, Boys & Girls that  
God is no respecter of persons. That  
Race, creed or color doesn't matter,  
God wants to see them all saved

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Our job is to Disciple Believers so they can  
go out with the wonderful news and tell  
people how to be saved and how they  
ought to live, once they are saved =  
But we're not go, nor will we  
tell until we become Americans for  
our lands returns

You see Jesus is waiting for us -

We need to stop passing the buck 18

we need to stop pointing a  
finger at the pastor or the  
Sunday School teacher // or the  
youth Director or music Director  
if people aren't being saved

And here's why: "The buck stops here  
for the heart of saved people"

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oh history, I would be the first to  
agree that much has been done to  
reach the lost since Jesus went back  
to Galilee

The Church has grown from a  
LITTLE mustard seed to become  
one of the greatest of all plants //

The Gospel is being preached in most  
parts of the earth but not in all  
parts of the earth = // there are  
still many lost out there  
there are saved //

Could it  
be, because we've not done the work  
Jesus left us to do?

4/ Love me or Hate me But I must say:  
" UNFN Matthew 24:14 - Become a  
Reality <sup>our</sup> ~~the~~ work will not be done,  
And Jesus won't return - listen

" And this Gospel (John 3:16 // Romans 5:8 //  
Romans 6:23 // Romans 10: 9-10 & 13 //  
of the Kingdom shall be Preached  
in all the world for a witness to  
all nations, "Then will the end come"

Love me or Hate me But I must say: "The  
Delay in our Lord's Return is not due  
to indifference on His part, but  
Rather on Ours"

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oh But listen, Let me tell you something  
else - We can also see the delay in  
the Lord's returning as an expression  
of God's Love for the lost.

And here's why: "When Jesus comes the  
lost will be judged" IT WILL END  
the time of opportunity for everyone who  
has heard & refused to believe"

John 3:18 Says: "He that Believeth on Him  
is not Condemned // But He that Believeth  
Not is Condemned already Because he  
hath Not Believed in the Name of the  
Only Begotten Son of God"

Dear Lost Person // Loved of God // You are  
the unbeliever if you've ever heard  
the Gospel and Refused to Believe on  
Jesus — And you stand Condemned  
until you Believe on and Receive  
the Lord Jesus As Saviour"

(I did not make that up / God's word said it)  
I simply show it out of a deep love & concern

I see the Delay of the Lord's Coming  
As Added Opportunity for the lost to be  
saved // I hear every day of delay  
Crying out, "God Love you" "Jesus died  
for you, so you could be with Him  
forever" // I hear in each day of  
delay the Voice of God saying, "It's not  
my desire that any should perish  
but that all would be saved"



~~7~~ listen to what Peter wrote in 2 Peter 3:9

**Listen Last Person M Listen Saved Person**

"The Lord is not slack concerning His promise as some men count slackness, but is long suffering toward us, not willing that any should perish, but that all would come to Repentance"

**that says to my heart:** "The delay in the

Lord's coming is two fold 1st because <sup>God</sup> ~~is~~

~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> <sup>giving</sup> <sup>time</sup> <sup>to</sup> <sup>do</sup>

~~by~~ <sup>of</sup> the work Jesus left us to do  
2nd. God wants all to have the opportunity to respond to the Gospel

**To make the choice and assume  
Responsibility for the choice they make'**

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oh yes dear last person, God loves you  
**Jesus died to prove it** // He wants you  
to be saved // And He also wants you  
to know that one day the last person  
on the Earth who has never heard the  
Gospel, will hear, and then the end  
will come

*> to make the choice and assume responsibility*

Please Don't Turn Meant Back on Jesus

If you feel the gentle wooing  
of God's Holy Spirit, Respond to  
it

Our Lord Stands At the Door of your  
heart. He wants to come in and  
will if you'll invite Him in

But how long will He stand?

Until every person has heard the  
Gospel at least once

What if that happened tonight?

Peter said, "One Day He'll Return"

"For the day of the Lord will come"

And come when least expected

What if it were tonight?

Dear loved person, what if it were  
tonight - would you Relish the thought  
of Standing Before Jesus As Given An  
Account

In 2 Corinthians 5:10

Paul wrote, "For we all (All Believing) must  
appear before Jesus and have our works  
Judged. Would you welcome it?"

4) There could be some saved people here who are not anxious for Jesus to come because of  
① Apathy ② Hypocrisy ③ Unconfessed Sin  
④ Unfaithfulness to God's word // Some  
still holding on to the world with one  
hand — or perhaps because they  
have not shown in the ministry of  
soul winning Evangelism —

Could we all bow our heads & close  
our eyes and be perfectly honest. //

Would you really be happy if  
Jesus came tonight (He could) would  
you be happy to make your Report?

Why not talk to God about it // Ask Him  
to tell you again the Comm. A. that you  
need to make. That be the first to  
make it — God will surely bless you  
for it — And it'll make His coming  
more desirable —

Dear Precious Lost Ones I want you to  
look up here and listen very carefully

You are so precious to God // So precious  
that He let His Son die for you //

And He wants you to be saved,  
And will save you if you'll allow  
Him to do so //

Here's what you need to do:

- ① Be honest with yourself. Admit you're lost
- ② Acknowledge that you can't save yourself
- ③ Believe what the Bible says about Jesus.

Then Ask Jesus to save you —

Then when you do, come as quickly as  
possible & share your victory with Bob Gene —

Saved persons, you do what you know is your  
heart God would have you do. Come kneel  
& pray or come ask this pastor to pray  
with you to a number 212 this morning

The doors of this church are open to receive  
those led of the Lord to become a part  
of it —

Oh but folks remember, Jesus left  
us work to do — Let's commit ourselves  
to doing it — Let's Pray —