



“Why do You stand afar off, O LORD? Why do You hide in times of trouble?” Psalm 10:1

Patience... we are constrained by time. Time cannot be manipulated nor can it be avoided. Time is itself a creation of God that He has ordained for the ultimate perfection and completion of His people’s character and maturation. Something of His character and nature is worked into us that could not be except for the effects of time.

“Let patience have its perfect work.” (James 1:4)

Wait... when we see injustice and cruelty – the world is full of such things – do we act impulsively to right these wrongs or do we wait upon the Lord, seeking His thoughts as to how we might go about making a difference? Impulsive behaviour, even in the name of justice, often produces further wrongs. “For since the beginning of the world, men have not heard nor perceived by the ear, nor has the eye seen any God besides You, Who acts for the one who waits for Him.” (Isaiah 64:4).

...So wait before you act...

Steadfast... in the midst of a time frame world we must hold steady when all around us is ever changing. To remain constant in such a world is to hold to the character of the One Who is “the same yesterday, today, forever.” (Hebrews 13:8). “For we have become partakers of Christ if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast to the end.” (Hebrews 3:14).

Worry not then friend, the Lord will act when time has completed its work within your heart! And besides, He is not afar off, but nearer than your own breath! Neither is He hidden, but will choose rather to hide you away in His presence!

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