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“HOW TO DEAL WITH DELAYS”

A Process of Faith-Part 4

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Exodus 13:17-18 (TLB): *“So at last Pharaoh let the people go. God did not lead them through the land of the Philistines, although that was the most direct route from Egypt to the Promised Land. The reason was that God felt the people might become discouraged by having to fight their way through, even though they had left Egypt armed; he thought they might return to Egypt. Instead, God led them along a route through the Red Sea wilderness.”*

Deuteronomy 8:2 (TLB): *“Do you remember how the Lord led you through the wilderness for all those forty years, humbling you and testing you to find out how you would respond, and whether or not you would really obey him?”*

WHAT TO DO WHILE WAITING:

1. Don't BE AFRAID.

Deuteronomy 1:26, 28 (TLB): *“²⁶ But the people refused to go in and rebelled against the Lord's command.”*
“²⁸ What are we getting into? Our brothers who spied out the land have frightened us with their report...”

Instead: REALIZE GOD IS WITH YOU.

Isaiah 41:10 (TLB): *“Fear not, for I am with you. Do not be dismayed. I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.”*

2. Don't WORRY.

Numbers 21:4-5 (GN): "*...On the way the people lost their patience and spoke against God and Moses. They complained...*"

Proverbs 19:2 (GN): "*Impatience will get you into trouble.*"

Instead: TRUST IN GOD.

Psalms 37:7-8 (TLB): "*Rest in the Lord; wait patiently for him to act. Don't be envious of evil men who prosper. Stop your anger! Turn off your wrath. Don't fret and worry—it only leads to harm.*"

Ecclesiastes 3:11 (GN): "*God has set the right time for everything.*"

3. Don't GET DISCOURAGED.

Numbers 14:2-4 (NIV): "*All the Israelites grumbled against Moses and Aaron, and the whole assembly said to them, "If only we had died in Egypt! Or in this desert! Why is the LORD bringing us to this land only to let us fall by the sword? Our wives and children will be taken as plunder. Wouldn't it be better for us to go back to Egypt?" And they said to each other, "We should choose a leader and go back to Egypt."*"

Instead: BE PERSISTANT AND PRAY.

Galatians 6:9 (MSG): "*So let's not allow ourselves to get fatigued doing good. At the right time we will harvest a good crop if we don't give up, or quit.*"

Luke 18:1 (MSG): "*...pray consistently and never quit.*"

4. Don't FORGET.

Psalms 106:7 (NIV): "*When our fathers were in Egypt, they gave no thought to your miracles; they did not remember your many kindnesses, and they rebelled by the sea, the Red Sea.*"

Instead: REMEMBER GOD'S PROMISES.

Psalm 103:2 (TLB): *"Yes, I will bless the Lord and not forget the great things He does for me."*

2 Peter 3:8-9 (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. 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."*

Habakkuk 2:3 (TLB): *"These things won't happen right away. Slowly, steadily, surely, the time approaches when the vision will be fulfilled. If it seems slow, do not despair, for these things will surely come to pass. Just be patient! They will not be overdue a single day!"*