

DECEMBER 2

“HIS WORD IS THE ONLY BAROMETER THAT YOU SHOULD LIVE BY.”

READ

Galatians 4:4-5, Habakkuk 2:3

To us, it seems that God waits until the last minute. As people of faith, we struggle with that because the flesh wants to know things beforehand, so we can plan. The great task for me as a believer is to come to grips with the fact that God does not want me to look at my watch, or my calendar when it comes to His ways in my life. I will never understand what He is doing. His ways are not my ways. There's that beautiful narrative in the Bible about Mary receiving a visitor from heaven; an angel that said, "You're going to bear the Son of God." When that angel showed up, it was at the last minute. When Jesus was born it was in the fullness of time. God is never early, and He can't be late. So, if you're expecting stuff up front to keep you assured or if you thrive on extra things in case you run out, you're going to have a hard life. God's whole point is to get you to the place that you don't measure your spirituality by the way you feel or by what you see. You measure it by His Word. That's the only barometer that you should live by.

PRAY

Lord, You make all things beautiful, in Your time. To everything there is a season and a time, an appointed time. I rest in Your Word, stand in Your grace, and wait for Your time.

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