

Missing Peace

Why Is God Making Me Wait?

Matthew 1:20-23

I. God operates on His own schedule

- A. Creation happened long after eternity past - Gen 1:1
- B. God chose to create a people for himself long after creation - Gen 17:4
- C. Jesus came at the precise moment - Gal 4:4,5

II. God is at work while you are on hold

- A. Between Old & New Testaments
- B. Birth of Jesus
 - 1. From the time of creation
 - 2. From the time of Israel's birth
 - 3. From the time God spoke to Mary
- C. The start of the New Testament Church - Acts 2

III. God's delays are not necessarily God's denials

- A. Our patience is where God works best - Isa 64:4
- B. His patience is waiting on your salvation decision - II Pet 3:9