

SERMON OUTLINE

THE CERTAIN DAY OF THE LORD

2 PETER 3:1-13

JULY 3, 2022

- I. The Promise Scoffed: vs. 1-4
- II. The Promise Explained: vs. 5-10

Three Reasons the Lord Delays His Return

1. God's timetable is different than ours: vs. 8
 - "Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. You return man to dust and say, "Return, O children of man!" For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night. - Psalm 90:1-4
 2. Displays God's patience: vs. 9
 3. The Lord's return is intended to surprise us: vs. 10
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- III. The Promise Applied: vs. 11-13
 - "Eschatology is not a projection into the distant future; it bursts forth into our present existence, and structures life today in light of the last days." - G. C. Berkouwer
 - "The secret to freedom from enslaving patterns of sin is worship. You need worship. You need great worship. You need weeping worship. You need glorious worship. You need to sense God's greatness and to be moved by it - moved by who God is and what He has done for you." - Tim Keller

BENEDICTION: "Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen." - Jude 24-25