



# Spot Light on the KNIGHTS

-Romans 13:12

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## Don't Let This Escape Your Notice

2 Peter 3:8-9 *"But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day. The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not willing for any to perish, but for all to come to repentance."*

God's (Jesus') examples should not escape our notice. We recently broke this down as a morning devotion prior to our Old Testament class because we did not want it to escape our notice. The devotion lasted almost as long as the content of the class (which is not too uncommon. If you have met the teacher, it might not surprise you...).

Verse 8 is fascinating and often taken out of context. It brings to light that Jesus resides outside of time. He is not bound by time, nor is He bound by any other materialistic rules or physical laws. He transcends them. He is the Author of those rules and laws. He has stepped into those boundaries from time to time. And, when the time was perfect (Gal 4:4), He fulfilled His age old promise found in Genesis 3:15. It boggles the mind on far too many levels, but isn't that exactly what we should expect from a transcendent God.

We asked the question: What does Jesus do with His "time" (His transcendent time)? Verse 9 answers the that question. "Not willing for any to perish," He is in pursuit of the repentance that leads to salvation. His pursuit has an infinite timeline, a timeless timeline. Jesus pursues all of us to repent, to have faith in His promises, unto salvation. What kind of patience is that???? Our patience has limits, timelines. His not so much. His is All – In on our behalf and will not, cannot, give up. It is not in His nature. He loves us with this infinite, unbound, transcendent Love.

We need to respond similarly. We need to pursue others in our spheres to encourage repentance and to have a significant relationship with this transcendent Jesus. We are to be All – In. We cannot give up, because our nature needs to transform to become transcendent. It is an impossible task by ourselves, but with Him, all things are possible – Phil 4:13. We are to take on the mind of Jesus – 1 Cor 2:16. Why? Because we "are not willing for any to perish" either. It requires an infinite pursuit of our friends & families, fueled by an infinite Savior. Our Lutheran schools are built for this purpose. It does not escape our notice. We will not give up on helping families find repentance and salvation in our Timeless, Transcendent Savior, our All – In Savior!

Come Lord Jesus, Amen!

Paul Steinhaus, Principal



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