



Luke 18:1-8 ***Divine Delays***

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The parable Jesus tells in Luke 18:1-8 is the context for this discussion.

- 1 → In what ways does waiting on God challenge our cultural expectations of instant gratification?
- 2 → How do you cope with the feelings of doubt or frustration with “hope deferred” as described in Proverbs 13:12? What practices or beliefs help you maintain hope and faith during prolonged waiting?
- 3 → In what ways does persistent prayer transform our relationship with God beyond just seeking answers? How does the act of waiting on God refine our motives and desires in prayer?
- 4 → How does the assurance of God’s justice in Luke 18:7 challenge our perceptions of fairness and timing in our lives? Can you identify moments when you felt God’s justice was delayed but ultimately fulfilled?
- 5 → Jesus’ question in Luke 18:8, “When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?” is quite challenging. How do you interpret this in the context of your own faith journey?
- 6 → What role does community play in supporting each other through times of waiting and unanswered prayers?
- 7 → **EXTRA CREDIT:** How do you interpret the balance between human effort and divine intervention in the context of prayer?