

Study Guide: God's Not Late — You're Just Impatient – 2 Peter 3

Big Question

If Jesus showed up today, would you be ready, or would you be embarrassed?

Write your honest answer here:

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Core Scripture

- **2 Peter 3:3–4** — *"Scoffers will come... saying, 'Where is the promise of His coming?'"*
- **2 Peter 3:8–9** — *"The Lord is not slow to fulfill His promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you..."*
- **2 Peter 3:10–13** — *"The day of the Lord will come like a thief..."*

→ Read these verses slow.

→ Let them **punch holes** in your impatience.

THE TATTOOED APOLOGIST



Core Problems Peter Exposes

Problem #1: *People get cocky when judgment doesn't fall immediately.*

They mistake **God's patience** for **God's absence** — like fools partying while the dam's cracking.

Problem #2: *Christians get sleepy waiting for Jesus to show up.*

They drift, doubt, deconstruct — because they don't understand that *delay is mercy*, not weakness.

Problem #3: *The world treats God's patience as permission to sin harder.*

But Peter says judgment isn't canceled — it's just locked and loaded.

Discussion Questions

1. **Have you ever felt like God was "taking too long" in your life?**
→ How did that feeling mess with your trust?
2. **Why do you think God waits instead of judging evil immediately?**
→ How does that change your view of "delay"?
3. **How would your life change if you actually believed Jesus could return any day now — and didn't assume you had unlimited time?**
4. **Peter says we should "live holy and godly lives" because of what's coming.**
→ What's one area where you're living like Jesus *isn't* coming back soon?

Action Steps

→ Check Your Clock:

Every time you feel like God's late, remind yourself:

He's not on your clock — you're on His.

→ Repent Quickly:

God's patience is buying you time. Don't waste it.

Today's sin you're excusing?

That's tomorrow's regret you can't undo.

→ Stay Battle Ready:

Live every day like Jesus could crash through the sky by dinner.

No more lazy faith. No more lukewarm games.

Tattooed Apologist Challenge

Mercy Isn't Permission:

God's patience is a rescue mission — not a get-out-of-jail-free card for sin.

Write down one way you will live like **today could be your last day** before seeing Him face-to-face:

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