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Pandemic Paradigm Shifts

2 Peter 3:8-18

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“The Lord is not **SLOW** to fulfill His promise as some count slowness, but is **PATIENT** toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.” – 2 Peter 3:9

Pandemic Paradigm Shifts:

1. Science makes a lousy **GOD** – and so do **YOU!**
“...The creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God” (Romans 8:21).
2. Our **GOODNESS** is an illusion.
We believe we are **TRUTHFUL**, but the depths of the willingness to **DECEIVE** ourselves is infinite.
“No one is good but God alone.” -Jesus (Mark 10:18)
3. Our **CONTROL** is an illusion.
Man plans, and God **LAUGHS**.
4. There is a fine line between **BLESSINGS** and **CURSES**.
“Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour” (1 Peter 5:8).
5. The people of God need **SUFFERING** in order to **SHIFT**. We need **PROLONGED** suffering to make change **STICK**.

Jesus Christ continues to be our only **HOPE**.

Maybe God doesn't just want you to pass the time until you can go back to how you were **BEFORE**.