

God's delays are not denials.



GOD ANSWERS PRAYER, but not always the way we want or expect Him to. He is rarely in a hurry, as is evident in His creation. It takes Him time to make a baby, a flower, a tree, a sunset, or even a blade of grass. We can't rush God. We've got to wait till it's His time.

Perhaps He is waiting for the circumstances to be right to ensure the result He wants to bring. Take, for example, the man in the Bible who was blind from birth. He had had to be blind all his life so that everybody would know it and so that when Jesus came along one day and marvelously healed him, God would be glorified (John chapter 9). It may sometimes take years before you know why God didn't answer prayer as you thought He should, or right when you asked Him to, but the time will come and you'll know God was right.

The greatest darkness is just before dawn; the greatest desperation is just before salvation; the greatest hopelessness attacks just before rescue. So never doubt for a moment that God is going to answer. He will! Trust Him and thank Him for the answer, even if you don't see it immediately. You'll be glad you trusted Him tomorrow!