

**February 12, 2022**

The Lord wants you to experience real and abundant life:

***2 Pt. 3:9 The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. Instead, He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.***  
**(NIV)**

This is one of my very favorite verses in scripture for a number of reasons. Many wonder, what is God waiting for? Why is He waiting to come again and set up His kingdom? There are many days that I wish that He would come soon, but I understand now why He is still waiting. It is because He is perfectly patient. Wow, I wish I was half as patient as He is. I tend to want things now. And this is one of our weaknesses in our sinful nature. I have found that when I am abiding in His presence, I can be more patient because He is so very patient with me. But the main reason that the LORD is so patient is that He does not want anyone; that's right anyone to die without Him in their lives. This debunks the false teaching of those who say that the LORD only loves certain people and that He created others who would never know that He loves them and that they are doomed to Hell without a chance of salvation. This heresy is sweeping through the churches of America. I can only believe it is because this makes those who are supposedly saved, feel like they are blessed because they are 'chosen.'

Did you see what God's word says? He is patient BECAUSE He doesn't want **anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance!** He wants everyone to experience real and abundant life. How can we love others any less than He has loved us?

**Dear LORD, You love everyone, everywhere, all the time. Help us to do the same. In Jesus Name, Amen**