



Many today are asking, "How Long"?

Man has often asked of God, "*how long*"?

- David wanted to know "*how long*" his troubles would continue. (Psalms 13:1-3)
- Habakkuk wanted to know "*how long*" God's law would be ignored. (Habakkuk 1:2-4)
- Martyred Christians wanted to know "*how long*" before they would be avenged. (Revelation 6:10)

God is also asking us, "How Long"?

How long will we be simpleminded?
(Proverbs 1:22)

- To remain ignorant. (Acts 17:11; Ephesians 4:17-18; 1 Peter 1:14)
- To fail to grow. (Hebrews 5:12-14; Ephesians 4:13-14)

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How long will we wander aimlessly?
(Jeremiah 31:21-22; cf. 6:16)

- Where do we seek our help? (Psalms 121:1-4; Psalms 119:105; John 6:27, 63)
- We need to turn to the guideposts and road marks. (Ecclesiastes 12:11)

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How long will we "*go limping between two different opinions*"? (1 Kings 18:21; cf. Joshua 24:14-15)

- More than words ("*the people did not answer him a word ...*"), cf. 39-40.
- David also wanted to know "*How long*" (Psalms 4:1-3)
- It's about getting to work. (1 Corinthians 15:58)
- Put your hand to the plow. (Luke 9:56; cf. 2 Corinthians 8:5)

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How long will we complain about the temporal conditions we endure and lack the faith we need to have?
(Numbers 14:11)

- Will we learn to trust? (Isaiah 30:15; Proverbs 3:5; Proverbs 22:17-19)
- Will we learn to be content? (1 Timothy 6:6-8)

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How long will you wait to seek salvation?

Don't wait in a lost condition doing nothing! (2 Kings 7:3-10; cf. Joshua 18:3; Psalms 119:60; Acts 22:16)

- How long will we refuse to humble ourselves? (Exodus 10:3)
- How long will we refuse to obey? (Exodus 16:28)

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How long before you obey?

- If you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and if you're willing to confess your faith in Him, and repent of your sins, then how long will you wait to be baptized into His name? (Acts 2:38; Romans 6:3-4; 1 Peter 3:21)
- If you've obeyed the gospel but allowed sin to interrupt your fellowship with God, how long will you wait before you confess your sins (1 John 1:9) and repent (Acts 8:22-24)?