

As believers, one of the most awe-inspiring truths we must grasp is this: God is not bound by time. His power operates both beyond and outside the human constraints of chronology. When we speak of God working “beyond time,” we often picture Him showing up in situations that seem overdue when the deadline has passed and hope seems lost. But we must also recognize that God can move *ahead* of time, intervening in ways that defy natural expectations.

1. God Moves After Time Has Passed The Case of Elizabeth and Sarah

In Luke 1:36, the angel tells Mary:

“Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month.” (Luke 1:36, NIV)

Elizabeth, much like Sarah in the Old Testament, conceived when it was physically and biologically improbable. Genesis 18:11 says of Sarah:

“Abraham and Sarah were already very old, and Sarah was past the age of childbearing.” (Genesis 18:11, NIV)

In both cases, God worked *after* what human reasoning deemed “too late.” This is a divine reminder that delays in our lives do not limit God’s ability to fulfill His promises.

2. God Moves Before Time Has Come The Miracle of Mary

Conversely, in the same narrative, Mary conceives before any human process begins. Luke 1:34-35 records her astonishment:

“How will this be,’ Mary asked the angel, ‘since I am a virgin?’ The angel answered, ‘The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.’” (Luke 1:34-35, NIV)

Mary’s pregnancy was not just a miracle it was a prophetic fulfillment brought about *ahead of the natural order*. This reveals that God is not only a Redeemer of lost time but also a God of

acceleration, who can usher in seasons before they are expected.

3. Living Between Two Dimensions of Time

In your spiritual journey, you may experience both kinds of seasons: Delayed breakthroughs that come after much waiting and testing. Accelerated blessings that arrive suddenly, without warning or preparation.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 reminds us:

“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens.” (Ecclesiastes 3:1, NIV)

Yet God, who created time, is not restricted to it. He intervenes at *kairos* moments divinely appointed times that override *chronos* (natural time).

4. Trusting God's Unsearchable Ways

In moments of delay, we may question God's timing. In seasons of sudden blessing, we may feel undeserving or unprepared. Yet

in both, God's wisdom remains perfect.

"Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!" (Romans 11:33, NIV)

"Submit to God and be at peace with him; in this way prosperity will come to you." (Job 22:21, NIV)

When you trust God beyond your own understanding of timing, peace and divine goodness follow.

Be blessed.

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