

DELAYED IS NOT DENIED

Luke 1:5-19
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Big Idea: Depend on God even in the face of hopelessness and delay.

INTRO:

Which would you rather have: storms or delays?

A. THE UNFORGOTTEN PEOPLE

1. Delays can be confusing despite our virtues (v. 5-6)
2. Delays can be frustrating when we lose our worth and value (v. 7)

B. THE UNRELENTING FAITH

1. In seasons of delay, we need to keep our posture (v. 8-10)
2. In seasons of delay, we need to keep praying (v. 11-14)

C. THE UNSCHEDULED BLESSING

1. During the delay, we let go of our right to know what God is doing (v. 18)
2. During the delay, we let go of our ability to schedule things according to our timeline (v. 19-20)
3. During the delay, we let go of our capacity to control our outcome (v. 21-22, 57-58, 65-66)

CONCLUSION

We must remember three things during delays: humanity, divinity and history.