



“God’s Distracted”

Help, God Doesn’t Make Sense! series

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Just because God is **SILENT** doesn’t mean God is **ABSENT**.

*“For Herod himself had given orders to have John arrested, and he had him bound and put in prison. He did this because of Herodias, his brother Philip’s wife, whom he had married. For John had been saying to Herod, ‘It is not lawful for you to have your brother’s wife.’ So Herodias nursed a grudge against John and **wanted to kill him.**” Mark 6:17-19*

- *“But she was not able to because Herod feared John and protected him, knowing him to be a righteous and holy man.” Verse 20*
- *“When John, who was in prison, heard about the deeds of the Messiah, he sent his disciples to ask Jesus, ‘Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?’” Matthew 11:2-3*
- *“Jesus replied, ‘Go back and report to John what you hear and see: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is proclaimed to the poor. Blessed is anyone who does not stumble on account of me.’” Verses 4-6*
- *“The king was greatly distressed, but because of his oaths and his dinner guests, he did not want to refuse her.” Verse 26*
- *“Many are the **plans in a person’s heart**, but it is **the Lord’s purpose that prevails.**” Proverbs 19:21*

YOU DON’T HAVE TO UNDERSTAND THE **PLAN** TO TRUST GOD’S **PURPOSE!**

WE DON’T INTERPRET THE GOODNESS OF GOD THRU **OUR CIRCUMSTANCES!**

- WE INTERPRET OUR CIRCUMSTANCES THRU THE **GOODNESS OF GOD!**

JUST BECAUSE GOD IS **SILENT** DOESN’T MEAN GOD IS **ABSENT!**

We don’t put our faith in our plans, we continue to trust **GOD’S PURPOSE.**

We never interpret God’s goodness thru the lens of our circumstances.

We always interpret our circumstances thru the lens of **GOD’S PURPOSE.**