In the Fullness of Time

Shalom,

God's timing is always perfect! He is never late! We need to do what the Word teaches, and trust Him with all our hearts by not leaning on natural understanding. As time passes, the natural man will grow unsteady, giving in to impatient thoughts that, in many cases, may slow down the arrival of our promised answers, and even open us up to receiving counterfeit fleshly solutions. He created time for mankind, but **He dwells in eternity. He never changes and circumstances can never diminish His will, nor His steadfast love.**

"Delight thyself also in the Lord; and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass"

(Psalms 37:4-5 KJV).

For you have need of steadfast patience and endurance, so that you may perform and fully accomplish the will of God, and thus receive and carry away [and enjoy to the full] what is promised (Hebrews 10:36 AMPC).

"But when the set time had fully come, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship" (Galatians 4:4-5 NIV).

"Let us then fearlessly and confidently and boldly draw near to the throne of grace (the throne of God's unmerited favor to us sinners), that we may receive mercy [for our failures] and find grace to help in good time for every need [appropriate help and well-timed help, coming just when we need it]" (Hebrews 4:16 AMPC).

"He told them, 'You don't get to know the time. Timing is the Father's business'" (Acts 1:7 MSG).

The Torah reading for this week is found in **Genesis 41:1—44:17**, and is the portion called **Mikeitz** in the Hebrew Scriptures and is translated **"At the end."** The day will come when our desires will manifest, and our waiting will **end if we remain steadfast in trust. Joseph's**

endurance is an example to each of us. He chose to wait on the Lord as a servant, and that act of serving God was obvious in every part of his life.

"Whatever work you do, put yourself into it, as those who are serving not merely other people, but the Lord" (Colossians 3:23 CJB).

"Dear friends, don't regard as strange the fiery ordeal occurring among you to test you, as if something extraordinary were happening to you. Rather, to the extent that you share the fellowship of the Messiah's sufferings, rejoice; so that you will rejoice even more when His Sh'khinah is revealed" (1 Peter 4:12-13 CJB).

Joseph had been given dreams by God about the future, but he also had been given instructions concerning trust in the God of Israel that enabled him to continue to believe when circumstances made his dreams seem impossible. Dreams are a wonderful gift from God to let us know that, even though you can't see it, He has ordained them for your future. Our struggle comes with the waiting and wondering when the end will come and the promised victory will show up. All of us would like to see our answer sooner rather than later.

Remember that YHWH, in His wisdom, knows everything and just how to time every answer. The correct time for Jesus to be born, the correct time for Him to be revealed to Israel, the perfect time for Him to return; the perfect (shalom) time for everything is in the Lord, and His understanding is infinite. You can trust the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob to be your God. He is "I am!" His Word is truth, and He is Present (YHWH Shammah). He is the same yesterday, today, and forever, for He dwells in eternity.

Patiently waiting and serving, Terry