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DELAYS

There is hardly a day that goes by where something has not been delayed in life. It may be the morning newspaper that does not show up. It may be a phone call you have been expecting that did not come. It might be waiting in line for a prescription, and it could be a host of other things.

One thing for certain is that God knows all about it. Delays have saved people's lives. We can look at the 9-1-1 event and see how people were delayed getting to work at the Twin Towers and were not there when everything "went down." That delay saved lives.

We often react when a delay happens in a manner less than pleasing to God. We worry over things that should never be a concern.

In Philippians 4:6 it says, ***"Be careful [worried, anxious, take no thought] for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God."***

God allows delays to develop patience in us. Ah, that word patience – a word we seldom like. Yet, patience [long suffering] is a fruit of the spirit. It takes time to grow fruit. There will be a lot of delays that happen, but peace comes when we trust God through the delays.

God is never early and never late. If the delayed event causes you turmoil, then know that God has a better plan. Like those delayed in going to the Twin Towers, a delay might just save or change your life. Trust God with the delays and be patient in the process.