



# The Notes

## MYSTERIOUS WAYS Part 1: "TMI"

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### I CAN TRUST IN A GOD I CAN'T FULLY UNDERSTAND, AS LONG AS I AM WILLING...

1. ...TO ACCEPT THAT NOT EVERYTHING IS  
\_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_.

*"And another time when he appeared to them, they asked him, 'Lord, are you going to free Israel from Rome now and restore us as an independent nation?' 'The Father sets those dates,' he replied, 'and they are not for you to know. But when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, you will receive power to testify about me with great effect, to the people in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth, about my death and resurrection."*

**Acts 1:6-8 (TLB)**

2. ...TO ADMIT THAT I'M NOT CAPABLE OF  
\_\_\_\_\_  
AROUND \_\_\_\_\_.

*"The Lord says, 'Remember! My thoughts are not the same as your thoughts. The way that you do things is not the same as the way that I do things. The sky is far higher than the earth. In the same way, I do things in a much better*

way than you do. Also, my thoughts are much higher than your thoughts.”

**Isaiah 55:8-9** (EASY)

“Don’t imagine, dear friends, that God’s timetable is the same as ours; as the psalm says, for with the Lord, one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years is like one day. Now the Lord is not slow about enacting His promise—slow is how some people want to characterize it—no, He is not slow but patient and merciful to you, not wanting anyone to be destroyed, but wanting everyone to turn away from following his own path and to turn toward God’s.”

**2 Peter 3:8-9** (TVB)

**3. ...TO AGREE THAT I AM CAPABLE OF \_\_\_\_\_.**

“People who do not have God’s Spirit do not accept the things that come from his Spirit. They think these things are foolish. They cannot understand them, because they can only be understood with the Spirit’s help.”

**1 Corinthians 2:14** (ERV)

“My people are destroyed because they have not learned. You were not willing to learn. So I am not willing to have you be My religious leader. Since you have forgotten the Law of your God, I also will forget your children.”

**Hosea 4:6** (NLV)

**4. ...TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT \_\_\_\_\_ IS VULNERABLE TO \_\_\_\_\_ TRUTH.**

*“And remember why he is waiting [to return]. He is giving us time to get his message of salvation out to others. Our wise and beloved brother Paul has talked about these same things in many of his letters. Some of his comments are not easy to understand, and there are people who are deliberately stupid, and always demand some unusual interpretation—they have twisted his letters around to mean something quite different from what he meant, just as they do the other parts of the Scripture—and the result is disaster for them. I am warning you ahead of time, dear brothers, so that you can watch out and not be carried away by the mistakes of these wicked men, lest you yourselves become mixed up too.”*

**2 Peter 3:15-17** (TLB)

*“Repeat these basic essentials over and over to God’s people. Warn them before God against pious nitpicking, which chips away at the faith. It just wears everyone out. Concentrate on doing your best for God, work you won’t be ashamed of, laying out the truth plain and simple. Stay clear of pious talk that is only talk. Words are not mere words, you know. If they’re not backed by a godly life, they accumulate as poison in the soul. Hymenaeus and Philetus are examples, throwing believers off stride and missing the truth by a mile by saying the resurrection is over and done with.”*

**2 Timothy 2:15-18** (MSG)