

SERIES: GENESIS

THE POWER OF GOD'S WORD

Why do some evangelicals try and minimize the power of God's Word by referring to 2 Peter 3:8 as their reason for God taking long periods of time to do His work of creation?

2 Peter 3:1-9; Psalm 90:4

2 Peter 3

8 But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

The Power of God's Word supernaturally divided in 4 – 24-hour days all that was necessary to develop the earth to receive all living creatures and humanity.

Genesis 1:4 - And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. (Day One)

Genesis 1:6 - Then God said, "Let there be a **firmament** in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." (Second day)

Genesis 1:9 - Then God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear"; and it was so. (Third day)

Genesis 1:14 - Then God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; . . ." (Fourth day)

The Power of God's Word still works miracles in separating the darkness from the sinful heart of man to give him His light.

2 Corinthians 4

3 But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, **4** whose minds the god of this age has blinded, **who do not believe**, lest **the light of the gospel** of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

5 For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake.

6 For it is the God **who commanded light to shine out of darkness**, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Hebrews 4

12 For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart. **13** And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things *are* naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we *must give* account.

2 Peter 1:19

And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well **to heed [holding your mind upon]** as a light that shines in a dark place, +until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts; . . .