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When God Seems Inattentive

Just because God is _____doesn't mean God is _____

¹⁷ 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. ¹⁸ For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹ So Herodias nursed a grudge against John and wanted to kill him. But she was not able to, ²⁰ because Herod feared John and protected him, knowing him to be a righteous and holy man. When Herod heard John, he was greatly puzzled; yet he liked to listen to him.

Mark 6:17-20 (NIV11)

² When John, who was in prison, heard about the deeds of the Messiah, he sent his disciples ³ to ask him, "Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?"

Matthew 11:2-3 (NIV11)

⁴ Jesus replied, "Go back and report to John what you hear and see: ⁵ 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. ⁶ Blessed is anyone who does not stumble on account of me."

Matthew 11:4-6 (NIV11)

²⁶ The king was greatly distressed, but because of his oaths and his dinner guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷ So he immediately sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. The man went, beheaded John in the prison, ²⁸ and brought back his head on a platter. He presented it to the girl, and she gave it to her mother. Mark 6:26-28 (NIV11)

²¹ Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the LORD's purpose that prevails. **Proverbs 19:21 (NIV11)**

You don't have to understand the ______to trust God's _____.

⁵... God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." **Hebrews 13:5b (NIV11)**

My Next Step is To...

- Meditate on and/r memorize Hebrews 13:5b
- Start the daily devotional "When God doesn't Make Sense" on You Version
- Develop my faith by believing God is present even when He is silent
- Trust God to have a purpose for my life and accept Jesus as my Lord and Savior.