

The Danger of Delay Pt 3

The Chaos of Delay vs. The Cosmos of Promise

It takes a word from God to turn chaos into cosmos!

- Genesis 1:2-3
- Only a “word from God” can bring order out disorder.
- Why is it that when you leave an ice cube at room temperature, it begins to melt? Why do we get older and never younger? And, why is it whenever rooms are cleaned, they become messy again in the future? Certain things happen in one direction and not the other, this is called the **Arrow of Time** - it encompasses every area of science. **The thermodynamic arrow of time (entropy) is the measurement of disorder within a system.**
- The second law of thermodynamics holds that **entropy increases**; that is, systems over time become more disordered.
 - o lack of order or predictability; gradual decline into disorder.
- **Example (Jig Saw Puzzle Box)** - Assume a box filled with jigsaw pieces were jumbled in its box, the probability that a jigsaw piece will land randomly, away from where it fits perfectly, is very high. Almost every jigsaw piece will land somewhere away from its ideal position. The probability of a jigsaw piece landing correctly in its position, is very low,

The call of God is purposeful!

Romans 8:28 (KJV) - ²⁸ And we know that **all things work together for good** to them that love God, to them who are the **called according to his purpose.**

All things work together for good – This verse is antithetical to the 2nd law of thermodynamics and the arrow of time...

- No they don't
- things don't work –
- things are just things

Romans 8:28 (NIV) - ²⁸ And we know that **in all things God works** for the good

Romans 8:28 (NLT) - ²⁸ And we know that God **causes everything to work together for the good...**

1. **“All things...”**
 - Greek - *Panta vs Hole*
 - o **Hole** = total of everything – Where we get our word “whole” from
 - o **Panta** = each and every thing
2. **“Works together”**
 - Greek = *Sunerge*
 - o It is singular not plural.

- **Synergy** = the interaction or cooperation of two or more organizations, substances, or other agents to produce a **combined effect greater than the sum of their separate effects.**

3. "the good"

- There are 3 words for "good" in Greek
 - **Kalos** - aesthetic, pretty from outside, free from defects
 - **Chrestos** – pleasant, kindness, profitable,
 - **Agathos** - good from **God's perspective**
- **Agathos** describes that which is perfect, producing pleasure, satisfaction, well being.