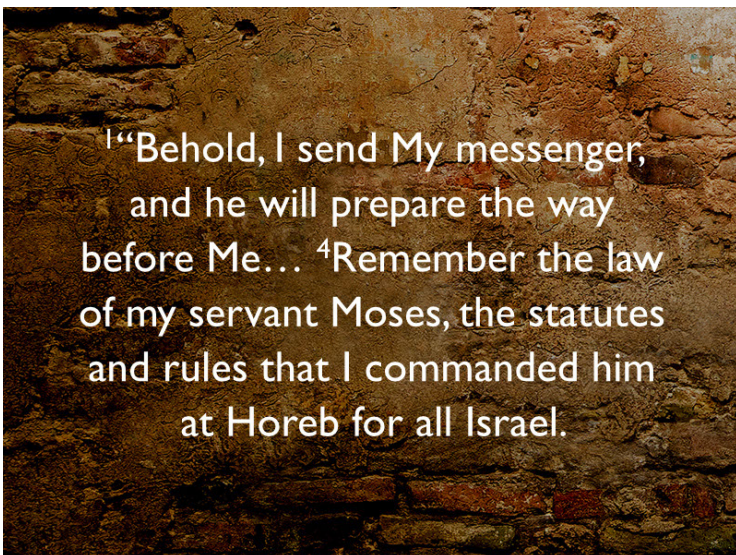




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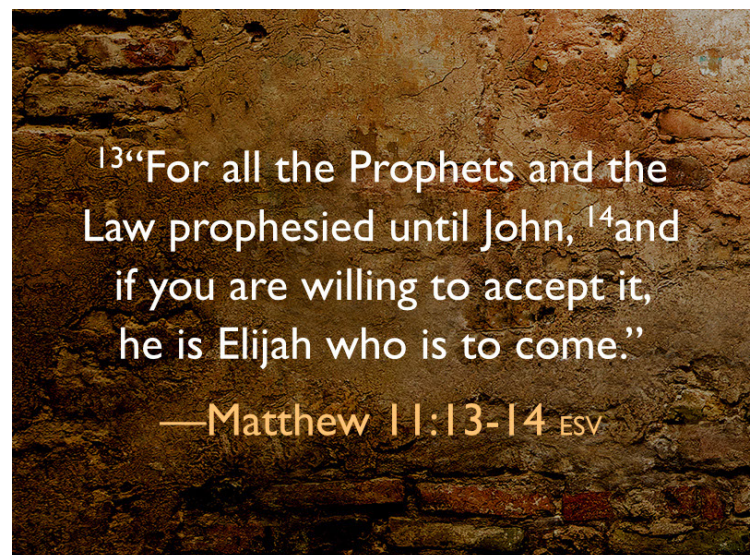
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“Though the voice of God was silent, the hand of God was actively directing the course of events during these centuries.”

—*John MacArthur Study Bible*

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Historical Timeline of the Silent Years

Daniel 2 & 7

Persians	538 B.C.
Greeks	333 B.C.
Egyptians	323 B.C.
Syrians	204 B.C.
Maccabees	165 B.C.
Romans	63 B.C.

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At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter.

—*John 10:22* ESV

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Cultural Developments During the Silent Years

Scribes

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Sadducees and Pharisees

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Streets “All roads lead to Rome.”

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But when the fullness of time had come,
God sent forth His Son, born of woman,
born under the law. —Galatians 4:4 ESV

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¹Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, ²but in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son, whom He appointed the heir of all things, through whom also He created the world. ³He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of His nature,

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and He upholds the universe by the word of His power. After making purification for sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name He has inherited is more excellent than theirs. —Hebrews 1:1-4 ESV

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¹My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me? Why are You so far from saving Me, from the words of My groaning? ²O My God, I cry by day, but You do not answer, and by night, but I find no rest.

—Psalm 22:1-2 ESV

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While God's promises may be delayed, they are never diminished with time.

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The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever. —Isaiah 40:8 ESV

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The sovereignty of God permits the silence of God.

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“God is said to be absolutely free, because no one and no thing can hinder Him or compel Him or stop Him. He is able to do as He pleases always, everywhere, forever.” —A.W. Tozer

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³³Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways! ³⁴“For who has known the mind of the LORD, or who has been His counselor?”

—Romans 11:33-34 ESV

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⁸For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, declares the LORD. ⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts.

—Isaiah 55:8-9 ESV

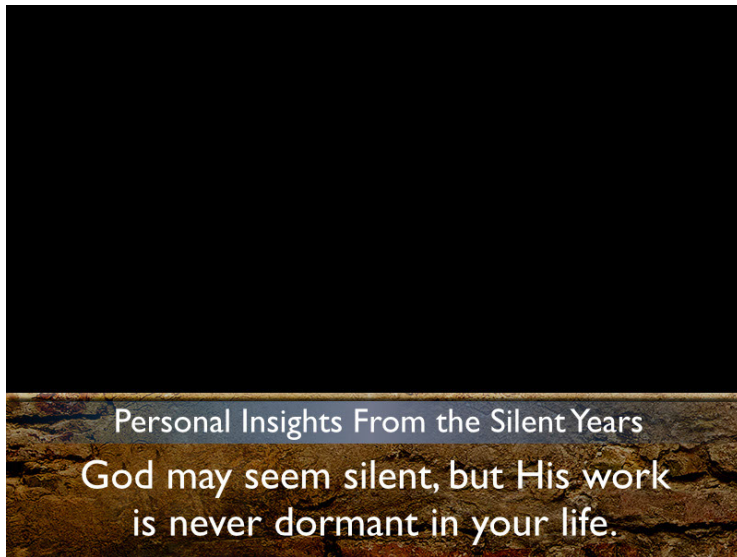
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Silence doesn't require distance;
it can reflect intimacy.

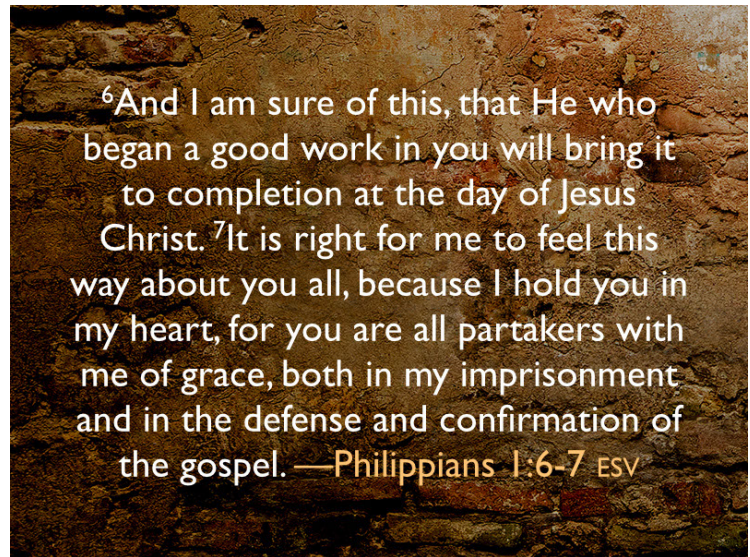
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Be still, and know that I am God.
—Psalm 46:10a ESV

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