

A DAY IS AS A THOUSAND YEARS

2Pet. 3:8 *“But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.”*

This verse has been used literally by many individuals to actually mean a day is as a thousand years. This is simply not the case. In days of old the Jews used the term a thousand years very loosely. This is a Hebrew idiom. It simply meant many many years, it did not mean 999 plus 1 as we think of it in the English language or in most other languages in this age. It could mean anything from hundreds to multiple thousands. Because of this fact, those who use this verse to substantiate the 6000 years to Yeshua's return in approximately the year 2000 as we know it, are not necessarily accurate. We must be very careful using this idiom in last days scenarios. It may indeed mean 6000 years, but it could mean something far different. I think it is fare to say it can only be used as a very basic guide.

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