

Trusting God

Truly Trusting in God, provides us with a supernatural Peace - Isa 26:3 You will keep in perfect peace him whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in you.

Man's fear is a trap, our protection is from trusting in God - Prov 29:25 Fear of man will prove to be a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is kept safe.

The only true reliable strength is that from trusting in God - Isa 40:30-31 - 30 Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; 31 but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

Truly Trusting in God is THE alternative to going in the wrong direction - John 14:1 "**Do not let your hearts be troubled.** Trust in God; trust also in me.

Trust is NEVER to be placed in man - Jer 17:5 This is what the Lord says: "**Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who depends on flesh for his strength and whose heart turns away from the Lord.**

Trust is NEVER to be placed on self - Prov 28:26 He who trusts in himself is a fool, but he who walks in wisdom is kept safe.

We are to ALWAYS trust in God - Ps 62:8 Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

We are to recognize ONLY God is good - Ps 16: 2 I said to the Lord, "You are my Lord; **apart from you I have NO GOOD THING.**"

We must realize, EVERYTHING about God is perfect - Ps 18:30 **As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the Lord is flawless. He is a shield for all who take refuge in him.**

This includes His Word, which is never to be distorted - Prov 30:5-6 - 5 "**Every word of God is flawless; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him.** 6 **Do not add to his words**, or he will rebuke you and prove you a liar.

With this, we will never question God - Rom 9:20 But **who are you, O man, to talk back to God?** "Shall what is formed say to him who formed it, 'Why did you make me like this?'"

We are to live Truly Trusting in God, by living and teaching the Word, in order to train our children to trust in God - Ps 78:3-7 - 3 what we have heard and known, what our fathers have told us. 4 We will not hide them from their children; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done. 5 He decreed statutes for Jacob and established the law in Israel, which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children, 6 so the next generation would know them, even the children yet to be born, and they in turn would tell their children. 7 **THEN THEY WOULD PUT THEIR TRUST IN GOD and would not forget his deeds but would keep his commands.**

- If they do not see us living, trusting in God, they most likely will not
- If they see us living trusting in my abilities, my traditions, things of the world...They will most likely do the same
- If they see me living trusting in God INCORRECTLY, this will confuse their living trusting in God

***To Truly Trust in God DOES NOT mean you are depending on God to do what you desire. Trusting in God, is receiving His answer, His approval, and His instruction and applying them.**

We are careful not to act on our own, we only act as God says (Faith)- Rom 4:4-5 - 4 Now when a man works, his wages are not credited to him as a gift, but as an obligation. 5 However, to the man who does not work but trusts God who justifies the wicked, his faith is credited as righteousness.

Me acting on my own is NOT trusting in God -Rom 9:30-33 - 30 What then shall we say? That the Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, have obtained it, a righteousness that is by faith; 31 but Israel, who pursued a law of righteousness, has not attained it. 32 **Why not?** Because **THEY PURSUED IT NOT BY FAITH BUT AS IF IT WERE BY WORKS.** They stumbled over the "stumbling stone."

A definition of a Christian, is to NO longer live depending on self, but totally trusting in Christ - Gal 2:19-21 - 19 For when I tried to keep the law, it condemned me. So I died to the law—**I stopped trying to meet all its requirements—so that I might live for God.** 20 My old self has been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. So **I LIVE IN THIS EARTHLY BODY BY TRUSTING IN THE SON OF GOD,** who loved me and gave himself for me.

To Truly Trust in God I must fully rely on Him, even when it goes against me - Prov 3:5-7 - 5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; 6 in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight. 7 Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil.

Trusting God is all or nothing, and our lives will show if we do - Titus 1:15-16 - 15 To the pure, all things are pure, but to those who are corrupted and do not believe, nothing is pure. In fact, both their minds and consciences are corrupted. 16 They **claim to know God, but BY THEIR ACTIONS THEY DENY HIM**. They are detestable, disobedient and unfit for doing anything good.

We are pure by obeying God - 1 Peter 1:22 Now that you have purified yourselves by OBEYING the truth so that you have sincere love for your brothers, love one another deeply, from the heart.

Love keeps us in true Trust - 1 Cor 13:7 It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

You love God if you do what He says - John 14:15 "If you love me, you will obey what I command."