

The Power of Trust

Psa 62:8 (NAS95) Trust in Him at all times, O people; Pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us. Selah.

Psa 115:11 (NASB) You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD; He is their help and their shield.

Pro 3:5 (NASB) Trust in the LORD with all your heart And do not lean on your own understanding.

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TRUST: *refuge; the act of confiding; to put confidence in; to be secure; to lean on; opposite of doubting; to hope IN ADVANCE of other confirmation*

A Story of Trust:

Job 1:13-22 (NASB)

13 Now on the day when his sons and his daughters were eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother's house,

14 a messenger came to Job and said, "The oxen were plowing and the donkeys feeding beside them,

15 and the Sabeans attacked and took them. They also slew the servants with the edge of the sword, and I alone have escaped to tell you."

16 While he was still speaking, another also came and said, "The fire of God fell from heaven and burned up the sheep and the servants and consumed them, and I alone have escaped to tell you."

17 While he was still speaking, another also came and said, "The Chaldeans formed three bands and made a raid on the camels and took them and slew the servants with the edge of the sword, and I alone have escaped to tell you."

18 While he was still speaking, another also came and said, "Your sons and your daughters were eating and drinking wine in their oldest brother's house, **19** and behold, a great wind came from across the wilderness and struck the four corners of the house, and it fell on the young people and they died, and I alone have escaped to tell you."

20 Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head, and he fell to the ground and worshiped.

21 He said, "Naked I came from my mother's womb, And naked I shall return there. The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away. Blessed be the name of the LORD."

22 Through all this Job did not sin nor did he blame God.

Job 2:9 (NASB) Then his wife said to him, "Do you still hold fast your integrity? Curse God and die!"

Job 3:25 (KJV) For the thing which I greatly feared is come upon me, and that which I was afraid of is come unto me.

Job 13:15 (KJV) Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him: but I will maintain mine own ways before him.

Job 42:10 (NASB) The LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he prayed for his friends, and the LORD increased all that Job had twofold.

Faith vs. Trust

They are VERY close but not exactly the same.

Sometimes people use them interchangeably because they are so close.

- Faith is choosing to believe that God has it handled.
- Trust is knowing & being fully persuaded that God is always faithful & can be 'trusted'.
- Trust generally needs to be built, like, 'as a trusted source'. God is definitely a trusted source.
- When something goes wrong and we don't know the how & why, HE can be trusted.
- He is trustworthy, so I trust Him.
- THEN I choose to believe His promise or nature, I choose to put on faith.

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Trust Will Help You Do Good & Receive Good:

- **Psa 37:3-6 (NASB)** Trust in the LORD and do good; Dwell in the land and cultivate faithfulness. **4** Delight yourself in the LORD; And He will give you the desires of your heart. **5** Commit your way to the LORD, Trust also in Him, and He will do it. **6** He will bring forth your righteousness as the light And your judgment as the noonday.
- **Psa 125:1-2 (NASB) A Song of Ascents.** Those who trust in the LORD Are as Mount Zion, which cannot be moved but abides forever. **2** As the mountains surround Jerusalem, So the LORD surrounds His people From this time forth and forever.
- **Jer 17:5-8 (NASB)** Thus says the LORD, "Cursed is the man who trusts in mankind And makes flesh his strength, And whose heart turns away from the LORD. **6** "For he will be like a bush in the desert And will not see when prosperity comes, But will live in stony wastes in the wilderness, A land of salt without inhabitant. **7** "Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD And whose trust is the LORD. **8** "For he will be like a tree planted by the water, That extends its roots by a stream And will not fear when the heat comes; But its leaves will be green, And it will not be anxious in a year of drought Nor cease to yield fruit.

How To Trust:

- **Pro 22:17-19 (NAS95)** Incline your ear and hear the words of the wise, And apply your mind to my knowledge; **18** For it will be pleasant if you keep them within you, That they may be ready on your lips. **19** So that your trust may be in the LORD, I have taught you today, even you.
- **Psa 62:5-8 (NAS95)** My soul, wait in silence for God only, For my hope is from Him. **6** He only is my rock and my salvation, My stronghold; I shall not be shaken. **7** On God my salvation and my glory rest; The rock of my strength, my refuge is in God. **8** Trust in Him at all times, O people; Pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us. Selah.
- **Isa 12:2 (NASB)** "Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; For the LORD GOD is my strength and song, And He has become my salvation."
- **Isa 26:3-4 (NASB)** "The steadfast of mind You will keep in perfect peace, Because he trusts in You. **4** "Trust in the LORD forever, For in GOD the LORD, we have an everlasting Rock.
- **2Co 1:8-11 (NASB)** For we do not want you to be unaware, brethren, of our affliction which came to us in Asia, that we were burdened excessively, beyond our strength, so that we despaired even of life; **9** indeed, we had the sentence of death within ourselves so that [as a result] we would not trust in ourselves, but in God who raises the dead; **10** who delivered us from so great a *peril of death*, and will deliver us, He on whom we have set our hope. And He will yet deliver us, **11** you also joining in helping us through your prayers, so that thanks may be given by many persons on our behalf for the favor bestowed on us through *the prayers of many*.
- **2Co 10:3-6 (NASB)** For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, **4** for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses. **5** We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ, **6** and we are ready to punish all disobedience, whenever your obedience is complete.

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Absolute Trust Scriptures:

- **Rom 3:3-4 (NASB)** What then? If some did not believe, their unbelief will not nullify the faithfulness of God, will it? **4** May it never be! Rather, let God be found true, though every man *be found* a liar, as it is written, "THAT YOU MAY BE JUSTIFIED IN YOUR WORDS, AND PREVAIL WHEN YOU ARE JUDGED."
- **Rom 4:21 (KJV)** And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.
- **Rom 5:3-11 (NASB)** And not only this, but we also exult in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about perseverance; **4** and perseverance, proven character; and proven character, hope; **5** and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us. **6** For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. **7** For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would dare even to die. **8** But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. **9** Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. **10** For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. **11** And not only this, but we also exult in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.
- **1Jn 4:18 (NASB)** There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfected in love.
- **Jos 1:5 (NASB)** "No man will *be able to* stand before you all the days of your life. Just as I have been with Moses, I will be with you; I will not fail you or forsake you.
- **Heb 13:5 (KJV)** *Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.*
- **1Co 10:13 (NASB)** No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it.
- **2Co 2:14 (NASB)** But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and manifests through us the sweet aroma of the knowledge of Him in every place.
- **Jas 1:17 (NASB)** Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.
- **Rom 8:31-39 (NASB)** What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *is* against us? **32** He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things? **33** Who will bring a charge against God's elect? God is the one who justifies; **34** who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. **35** Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? **36** Just as it is written, "FOR YOUR SAKE WE ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH ALL DAY LONG; WE WERE CONSIDERED AS SHEEP TO BE SLAUGHTERED." **37** But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us. **38** For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, **39** nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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