

The Lord will secure your life in him and will keep what you entrust to him safe even your very life.

Scripture declares that all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Jesus. He has the power to secure your life and to keep safe from harm all that you can entrust him with. Rather than holding onto things because we are frightened of losing them, we should have the trust and confidence in Jesus to entrust them into his hands.

Proverb 29 v 25

“ Fear of man will prove to be a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord will be kept safe.”

Trusting in God results in our prayer of help being answered!

If you trust in the Lord's integrity as a good father, who helps his children in their time of need. Then he will help you when you call on him...

Psalm 28 v 6 - 7

“ Praise be to the Lord, for he has heard my cry for mercy. The Lord is my strength and my shield, MY HEART TRUSTS IN HIM AND I AM HELPED!”

Promise from God is that if you trust in him - you will never be put to shame whatever people say about you.

Romans 9 v 33

“ The one who trusts in Him will never be put to shame.”

If we trust in the LORD we will renew our strength.

Isaiah 40 v 30 - 31

“ Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; 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, and they will walk and not be faint.”

Trust in every sense is the gateway to God's true blessing!!

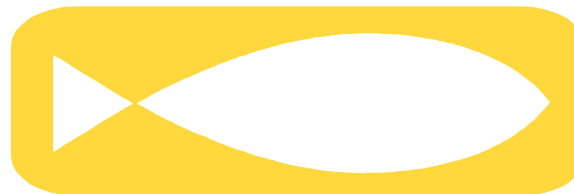
Within the Word of God are many promises that are linked to the ability of God's people to trust and have faith in His goodness.

Yet for many Christians their hope in the Lord is strong in the good times, yet becomes weak and fragile in the more difficult.

So how do we cultivate a real, deep and lasting trust in Jesus that will be a rock and fortress to us in our time of need.

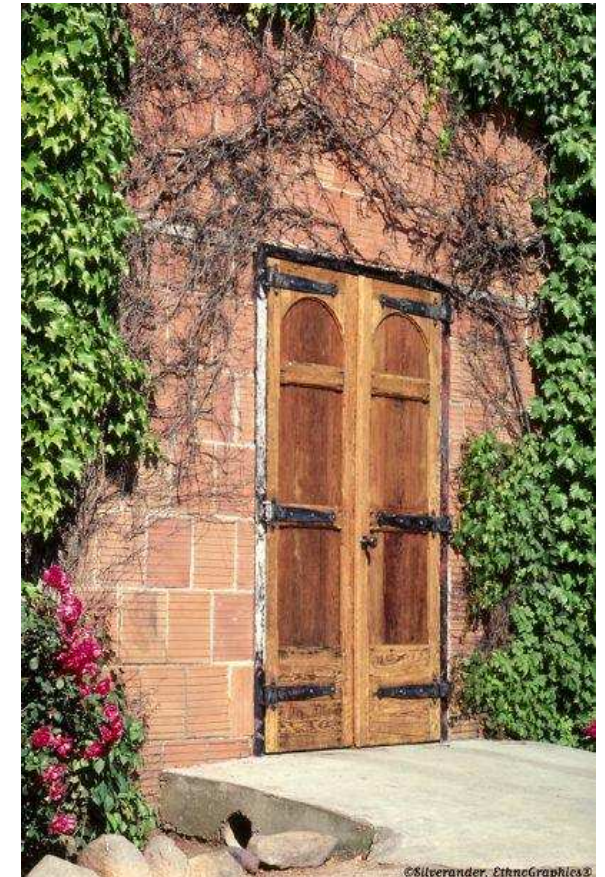
This tract highlights for us the real importance of trusting in Jesus and reveals to us many promises that God gives us if we are consistent in our trust and faith in him.

Based on many passages of Scripture what is revealed is that there is no other way for a Christian to have real hope, peace or joy in their lives, whatever their circumstances, unless they **cultivate trust in the Lord.**



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A TRUSTING LIFE



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GOD'S PROMISES ARE BOUND UP IN THE RESPONSE OF OUR HEARTS TO TRUST IN HIM ALONE.

Relationships are difficult, when you really have to hold onto God and His promises that many people find that their trust in God is a fine weather experience.

Real Trust a characteristic that God is looking for in His people!!

Faith and Trust are two fundamental characteristics that God is looking for within his people **IF** he is going to bless them in their daily living. You

cannot have any real peace, joy or hope in your life, if you do not fully trust in Jesus and his salvation. The Lord is actively searching out those who have their absolute trust and confidence in him, whatever the situations or circumstances of their lives.

Learning to Cultivate our trust in God.

In the Word of God we read of the story of Joseph found in Genesis 41. In this chapter we

see how Joseph is taken before the Pharaoh of Egypt to interpret a dream that the Pharaoh has had. The meaning is given and what is declared is that there will be seven years of great harvest and prosperity for the land - followed by seven years of great famine and destitution.... What is declared next is a powerful spiritual principle that is given to all of us to help us in our time of need. Joseph gives the Pharaoh this advice in verses 34 onwards:-

“Let Pharaoh appoint commissioners over the land to take a fifth of the harvest of Egypt during the seven years of abundance. They shall collect all the food of these good years

It is fair to say that for many of us how deeply we trust in Jesus is dependent upon the particular circumstances of our lives. What is meant by this, is that when things are going well in our life and relationships, it is easy to declare our trust in the Lord and His Ways. Yet for many people it is when times are hopeless and

Memory Verse!
TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND LEAN NOT ON YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING; IN ALL YOUR WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE HIM, AND HE WILL MAKE YOUR PATHS STRAIGHT.
Proverbs 3 v 5



“ If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God who gives generously to all, without finding fault, and it will be given to him. BUT when he asks, he MUST believe and not doubt, because he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. That man should not think he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all he does.”
James 1 v 5 - 7

to widen and deepen our reserves of trust and faith now, so that we have all that we need IF we go through the famine time. As Christians we need to be firmly rooted and grounded in Jesus and his promises to us.

9 Promises - God focused TRUST opens up for our lives!

If you trust in the Lord he will not leave you or forsake you:

The promises here is that as we understand the Lord and deepen our trust in him, he becomes our rock our fortress in times of trouble. He is the one who protects and delivers us from the times of hardship.

Psalm 9 v 9-10

“The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. Those who know your name will TRUST in you. For you, Lord have NEVER forsaken those who seek you.”

If you trust in the Lord you will find peace and rest for your soul.

The Lord is the one who has saved you and secured you in a relationship with himself. Because you belong to him, he is faithful in holding your destiny and future in his hands.

Psalm 62 v 6 - 8

that are coming and store up the grain.... This food shall be held in reserve for the country, to be used during the seven years of famine.”

What we see here is that each one of us needs to cultivate our trust in God NOW!! We need to actively get into his promises... learn from his word... cut out of our lives anything that causes us to doubt the goodness and love that God has for us. As we do this NOW we cultivate a strong trust in God that becomes an oasis of security and hope when we go through the difficult and trying times of our lives. In every sense trust is a characteristic that we cultivate, it is something that we can actively develop and grow in as we deepen ourselves in the things of God. Like Joseph we need the wisdom



“Find rest, O my soul, in God alone; my hope comes from him. He alone is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I shall not be shaken, my salvation and honour depend on God. He is my mighty rock, my refuge. TRUST HIM AT ALL TIMES, O people.”

The Holy Spirit uses the TRUST we have in Jesus to secure and overflow our lives in the fruits of the Spirit.

The trust and faith that we have in Jesus becomes a anchor that stabilises us as we are challenged and transformed by the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives. It is our trust in the goodness and faithfulness of Jesus that enables us to “let go and let God,” work on our character and attitudes to make us more Christ-like. Joy, peace and hope are dependant upon our deep trust in God.

Romans 15 v 13

“May the God of hope, fill you with all joy and peace AS YOU TRUST IN HIM, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

God's full love abides on us when we trust in him.

In real terms God is looking for a people who trust in his goodness and love. To not trust in God and his promises questions the integrity of his character and his power and authority to provide for his people. Where the Lord finds that deep and real trust- his love and grace is freely poured out.

Psalm 32 v 10

“Many are the woes of the wicked, but the Lord's unfailing love surrounds the man who TRUSTS in him!”

The promise of prosperity is given to those who learn to walk the pathway of trust and obedience to God.

Proverb 28 v 25



“A greedy man stirs up dissension, but he who trusts in the Lord will prosper.” PTO