

Put your trust in God

We all have needs—We have physical needs—mental needs and spiritual needs

How we meet these needs vary depending on the person and results vary depending on how you obtain what you need.

Some try and do it all themselves—Do we have any I don't need anything from anybody up in here this morning? You know the ones if I can't do it I don't need it type of brothers and sisters?

Others look to a spouse or a neighbor or a brother or sister in Christ to help with needs.

At times in the right situation that's ok but it's not where we should be looking on a consistent basis.

Why Pastor? When I want some bacon and eggs that's a physical need that I ask my wife or husband to cook up for me to meet my physical need. That's one of the right situations to have a spouse meet your physical needs.

But when we try and meet our needs in any of the ways I just laid out for you—we are setting ourselves up to be let down.

I've said it many times in this very pull pit—do not put your faith in man and that includes yourself—but always put your faith in God. Man will let you down time and time again—but God is faithful—he doesn't even know how to let you down.

Psalms 118:8 says—It is better to trust the Lord than to put your confidence in man.

Now don't take this wrong, I'm not saying there are not good people out there that do a lot of good things for people on a consistent basis. But the one thing we all, including your pastor, have the ability to do, is to let you down. We have that ability but God doesn't.

That's why it is so important to put your trust in Him. He has never missed the mark. He's batting a 1000%. He's always good—always righteous and always trust worthy.

Nahum 1:7 says—The Lord is good—A stronghold in the day of trouble—And He knows those who trust him.

Psalms 31:1 say—In you Lord, I put my trust—Let me never be ashamed—Deliver me in Your righteousness.

God has perfect ways—**Psalms 18:30** says—As for God, His way is perfect—The word of the Lord is proven—He is a shield to all who trust in Him.

Now that we have established that God is trustworthy and a proven commodity let's talk about when we should put our trust in Him.

I'll bet we can bat a 1000% with the answer to that question—Yes the answer is to trust Him with and in everything.

Yes the small things—yes the big things—yes the things that you don't think He really cares about—Yes He cares about those things too.

Why? Because He loves you. **1 John 5:14**—Now this is the confidence that we have in Him—that if we ask anything according to His will, he hears us.

John didn't say if what your putting your trust in is a certain size God wouldn't hear you. John said your confidence can be that if you ask the Lord for anything according to His will, He will hear us.

Father we praise you—you are righteous and just!

Most of the times in our lives the reason things get all messed up, is because we want to lean on our own minds and understanding.

We all know this one **Proverbs 3:5-6**—Trust in the Lord with all your heart—and lean not on your own understanding—But in all ways acknowledge Him—and He shall direct your paths.

We get off over here thinking we are doing something—that we have it figured out—that we're going to fix the problem—and most of the time we make it worse.

Instead of listening to God—instead of putting our trust in God—instead of leaning on His understanding and not our own. And then when we've done messed everything up—we look up to heaven and start praying to God to fix our problem—when in actuality that's the first place we should have started.

Jeremiah 17:7-8 says read

What Jeremiah is saying here is to trust the Lord--have faith in the Lord—the Lord will make you prosper—With no fear—no anxiety and you will never stop bearing fruit—but you have to put your trust in Him.

You want to think a little clearer? Take the Lord up on **Proverbs 16:3** where He tells us—Commit your works to the Lord and your thoughts will be established.

Listen I know sometimes life can be rough. We get things thrown at us from 10 different angles all at the same time and we just don't see a way out. And that's what the enemy wants you to think. That there is no way out—this can't be fixed.

But that's why this teaching is so important. You don't have to find a way out or a way to fix it.

God has the way out and the fix to any problem if you put your trust in Him.

Don't make God your last resort—make Him your first choice.

Let Him shower you with love, peace, joy, health, finances anything you are in need of.

The biggest step you can ever take to know if you are truly trusting God, is if you can answer the question to yourself every time you make a decision, did I include God in that decision?

Did I pray and consult with the Father to see which way he wanted me to go with my decision.

If you cannot say yes to that question you are not including the most important factor in any decision you make—which is God and His will.

We are loved more than any of us know. He wants inclusion on any and all things in your life.

1 Peter 5:7 says—Casting all your care upon Him—For He cares for you.

All things folks—Trust and include Him in all things.

One last verse from **Psalms 13:5-6**—But I have trusted in Your mercy—My heart shall rejoice in Your salvation—I will sing to the Lord—Because He has dealt bountifully with me.