

Trust Me

# Trust

- Have confidence in
- Expect with assurance
- Believe
- Rely or depend on

Americans barred from leaving  
Egypt *take refuge* at US embassy

# I. Artificial Trust

# 1. Carnal weapons

- Ps.20:7
- Ps.44:6
- Lk.11:22

Trust: to believe in something or someone to the extent of placing reliance or trust in or on  
—‘have (complete) confidence in...trust’

1. Carnal weapons

## 2. Friends

Even my own familiar friend in whom I trusted, Who ate my bread, Has lifted up *his* heel against me: – Ps.41:9

I trusted: believe in a person to the point of reliance upon

‘Don’t you trust me?’  
How to rely upon an unknown?

1. Carnal weapons

2. Friends

### 3. Wealth

Those who trust in their wealth And boast  
in the multitude of their riches – Ps.49:6

Bernie Madoff: 'Don't you trust me?'

1. Carnal weapons
2. Friends
3. Wealth

## 4. Men

It is better to trust in the Lord than to  
put confidence in man – Ps.118:8

Scientist: 'Don't you trust me?'

Hitler: 'Don't you trust me?'

Soldier with knife: 'Don't you trust me?'

Preacher: 'Don't you trust me?'

1. Carnal weapons
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3. Wealth
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## 5. Own heart

He who trusts in his own heart is a fool, But whoever walks wisely will be delivered – Prov.28:26

‘Who else can I trust?’

Prov.14:12. Mt.26:33-35.



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5. Own heart
6. Allies

Isa.36:4-9

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## 7. Own righteousness

Lk.18:9, 11

### Revealed

Lk.16:15

Lk.15:29

### Result

Lk.7:39

Lk.15:2, 30

I. Artificial Trust

II. Authentic Trust

# 1. Prov.3:5-6

<sup>5</sup> Trust in the Lord with all your heart,  
And lean not on your own understanding;  
<sup>6</sup> In all your ways acknowledge Him,  
And He shall direct your paths.

- **Trust:** regard Him as source of wisdom, power, guide of life
- **All your heart.** Mt.22:37
- **All your ways.** Is.65:2
- **Acknowledge Him.** (Know): sees Him in every event; trusts and obeys

## 2. Jn.5:45-47

<sup>45</sup> Do not think that I shall accuse you to the Father; there is one who accuses you—Moses, in whom you trust. <sup>46</sup> For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me; for he wrote about Me. <sup>47</sup> But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My words?”

- **Do not think...**: self-deception
- **Moses**: prosecutor (Jn.7:19)
- **Wrote about Me** (Jn.8:31-32)

### 3. 2 Co.1:9-10

<sup>9</sup> Yes, we had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves but in God who raises the dead, <sup>10</sup> who delivered us from so great a death, and does deliver us; in whom we trust that He will still deliver us...

- Sentence of death (no way out)
- Salvation: as if raised from the dead
- Significance: trust in God. 2 Kings 6

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**III. Applied Trust**

# 1. Trust word of God, Ps.119:42

- “If Aristotle said it, it’s true”
- “If pope says it, it’s true”
- “If my preacher says it, it’s true”
- “I always believed it...”

Ro.4

Against all odds,  
Abraham trusted  
God to keep His  
promise.

Nu.13-14

Not lack of  
revelation, but of  
trust.  
Spies, not God.



1. Trust Word of God, Ps.119:42

## 2. Trust worship of God, Ac.2:42

- Modern churches trust entertainment, comedy, drama...
- Modern churches do not condemn sin; it would offend . . . sinners

1. Trust Word of God, Ps.119:42
2. Trust worship of God, Ac.2:42

### 3. Trust work of God, Ac.20:28

Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

1 T.3; T.1

Singular

Elders, 17

The cost

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3. Trust work of God, Ac.20:28

## 4. Trust way of God, Jn.14:4-6

- ✓ Only **one** way leads to salvation
- ✓ **Jesus** is the way (sg.) Jn.14:4-6
- ✓ Jesus' way is His **word**, Ac.18:25-26
  - **Accurately** taught true Jesus, 25
  - Needed **more accurate** instruction in the way, 26 (baptism)

<sup>25</sup>This man had been instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he spoke and taught accurately **the things of the Lord,** though **he knew only the baptism of John.**

<sup>26</sup>So he began to speak boldly in the synagogue. When Aquila and Priscilla heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the **way of God more accurately** – Acts 18

Wrong on baptism

Believed in Jesus

# Acts 19:1-7

1. Thought they were scripturally baptized; they were wrong
2. It matters (2:38)

**“I don’t think you have to be baptized!”**

**Fails the trust test!**

