

Women & More

Take Him at His Word

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“I either trust God, or I don’t!” That’s the simple truth, and I’ve said it to myself many times. And when I say it out loud, the answer comes easily...I choose to trust God completely, and in every situation! We can have full confidence in our God, and in every *word* He has spoken.

“At one stage of Christian experience we cannot believe unless we have some sign or some great manifestation of feeling.

May God give us faith to fully trust His Word though everything else witness the other way.”

C. H. P.

“Little faith will bring your souls to heaven, but great faith will bring heaven to your souls.”

C. H. Spurgeon

Prepare by Soaking in Scripture:

Exodus 34:1-2

Isaiah 55:11

Habakkuk 2:1

Titus 1:2-3

Hebrews 11:6

Scriptures to Memorize:

Psalm 119:89 “*Your word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens.*”

Romans 4:21 “*...being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised.*”

NOTES on Speaking Session:

Questions for Mentor-group Discussion:

1. What promise of God have you recently discovered, claimed by faith, and seen him come through with?

Be encouraged—F. B. Meyer said: “There is hardly any position more utterly beautiful, strong, or safe, than to put the finger upon some promise of the divine word, and claim it.”

2. What keeps you from trusting God completely for your life, your health, your marriage or your children?

Life _____

Health _____

Marriage _____

Children _____

Be encouraged—when the most incredible thing in the world was proposed to Mary, the mother of Jesus, she did not hesitate but proclaimed in **Luke 1:38** “*Be it unto me according to thy Word.*”

3. How is it that we’re inclined to fully trust God and His Son for our eternal soul’s destination, while we struggle daily with trust for His faithfulness in the here and now?

Be encouraged—in **Psalm 27:13** King David said, “*I am still confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.*”

Recommended Reading:

Eternity in Their Hearts, Don Richardson

Holy Bible, forty human authors inspired by God

Mere Christianity, C. S. Lewis

HIS WORD—AN IMMEDIATE HELP!

You cannot read God's Word and pray too often...you only need to 'go' to Him and He hears you and attends to you. Because of the relationship you have with the Father through His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, God knows you personally. He knows your specific needs and concerns, and the Holy Spirit speaks through His Word to you every time you come to Him saying: "Here am I!"

*When in sorrow	John 14
*When people fail you	Psalms 27
*If you want to be fruitful	John 15
*When you have sinned	Psalms 51 & 2 Sam 12:13-23
*When you worry	Matthew 6:19-34
*When you are in danger	Psalms 91
*When God seems far away	Psalms 139
*When your faith needs stirring	Hebrews 11
*When you are lonely and fearful	Psalms 23
*When you grow bitter and critical	1 Corinthians 13
*For Paul's secret to happiness	Colossians 3:12-17
*For idea of Christianity	1 Corinthians 5:15-19
*When you feel down and out	Romans 8:31-39
*When you want peace and rest	Matthew 11:25-30
*When the world seems bigger than God	Psalms 90
*When you want Christian assurance	Romans 8:1-30
*When you leave home for labor or travel	Psalms 121
*When your prayers grow narrow or selfish	Psalms 67
*For a great invention/opportunity	Isaiah 55
*When you want courage for a task	Joshua 1
*How to get along with others	Romans 12
*When you think of investments/returns	Mark 10
*If you are depressed	Psalms 27
*If your pocketbook is empty	Psalms 37
*If you are losing confidence in people	1 Corinthians 13
*If people seem unkind	John 15
*If discouraged about your work	Psalms 126
*If you find the world growing small, and yourself great	Psalms 19
*If you think about what might have been 'if'	Philippians 3:13 & 1 John 2:1

The world may acknowledge their belief in the existence of God, but they live as though He does not exist. There's no fear of a holy and righteous God. The Prophet Isaiah in 5:20 said, *“Woe unto them who call evil good, and good evil.”* Speaking of the future woes that are coming upon the earth, Revelation 8:13 says, *“Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!”* A day of reckoning is coming!

Prophecies are being fulfilled before our eyes. The worldwide economic crisis will force a one-world union as prophesied in Revelation. We see Israel's concern about the need to defend themselves against the possibility of a nuclear attack from other nations. Who and what can save us? Increased knowledge can't; government can't, and neither can science nor Greenpeace.

What does America need today? Rather than 'sinners' coming out of the closet, we need godly parents who will go into the closet and pray for their children, for their families, for the school system and the community. We need a spiritual revival to sweep our land. Without a spiritual awakening, our nation is through. We must pray, and then teach morality from a biblical base—the Bible is the only true basis for morality.

We need men and women in our Congress and Senate who love God and fear Him. God's people need to humble themselves and pray, and seek God's face and turn from their wicked ways. The return of Jesus Christ is the only hope for our future. Only Jesus can save us. Matthew 24:29-30 talks about the day of the Lord's coming—the establishing of the Kingdom of God: *“Immediately after the tribulation of those days...they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.”*

This will be the day according to Revelation 21:4, *“God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.”* And *“He [Jesus] shall judge among the nations. ...nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more”* Isaiah 2:4.

Today, we see the same conditions that existed in the days of Noah. We know that judgment is not far off. Let's pray that God will draw our hearts unto the things of the Spirit and free us from the bondage of corruption that holds the world in its grip. Let us pray to have a real heart and concern for our families, our churches, and our nation—for spiritual revival in our land. And as we see the world around us deteriorating, it should be a 'call' for us to live godly, righteous, holy lives—placing our minds, hearts and priorities on eternal values.