

"With His Trustworthiness"

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Trustworthiness as defined by the world:

adjective

worthy of being trusted; honest, reliable, or dependable

Words related to trustworthiness

faith, fidelity, fealty, patriotism, honesty, support, allegiance, obedience, reliability, sincerity, adherence, tie, integrity, honor, devotion, truthfulness, righteousness, rightness, rectitude, morality

So let's look at the spiritual definition of trustworthiness:

Psalm 19:7 (NLT) The instructions of the LORD are perfect, reviving the soul. The decrees of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple.

We are here today to FORTIFY ourselves with God's Trustworthiness

2 Samuel 7:18-28 ¹⁸ Then King David went in and sat before the LORD, and he said: "Who am I, Sovereign LORD, and what is my family, that you have brought me this far? ¹⁹ And as if this were not enough in your sight, Sovereign LORD, you have also spoken about the future of the house of your servant—and this decree, Sovereign LORD, is for a mere human!"^[a]²⁰ "What more can David say to you? For you know your servant, Sovereign LORD. ²¹ For the sake of your word and according to your will, you have done this great thing and made it known to your servant."²² "How great you are, Sovereign LORD! There is no one like you, and there is no God but you, as we have heard with our own ears. ²³ And who is like your people Israel—the one nation on earth that God went out to redeem as a people for himself, and to make a name for himself, and to perform great and awesome wonders by driving out nations and their gods from before your people, whom you redeemed from Egypt?"^[b] ²⁴ You have established your people Israel as your very own forever, and you, LORD, have become their God.²⁵ "And now, LORD God, keep forever the promise you have

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made concerning your servant and his house. Do as you promised, ²⁶ so that your name will be great forever. Then people will say, 'The LORD Almighty is God over Israel!' And the house of your servant David will be established in your sight.²⁷ "LORD Almighty, God of Israel, you have revealed this to your servant, saying, 'I will build a house for you.' So your servant has found courage to pray this prayer to you. ²⁸ Sovereign LORD, you are God! Your covenant is trustworthy, and you have promised these good things to your servant.

Zechariah 13:1 (NIV) On that day a fountain will be opened to the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and impurity.

Can we Trust God?

Case #1

Adam and Eve – if you eat from the tree of Good and Evil you will die

Genesis 2:17 (NIV)¹⁷ but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

Case #2

Promise to Abram and Sarai– his descendants with be numerous like stars

Genesis 15:5 (NIV)⁵ He took him outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring^[a] be."

Case #3

Promise to Israel – For 40 years, one for each day you explored the new land you will suffer for your sins and know what it is like to have me against you.

Numbers 14:34-35 (NIV)³⁴ For forty years—one year for each of the forty days you explored the land—you will suffer for your sins and know what it

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is like to have me against you.' ³⁵ I, the LORD, have spoken, and I will surely do these things to this whole wicked community, which has banded together against me. They will meet their end in this wilderness; here they will die."

Case #4

Promise to Mary – a virgin will conceive a child and will call him Immanuel.

Isaiah 7:14 (NIV) ¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself will give you^[a] a sign: The virgin^[b] will conceive and give birth to a son, and^[c] will call him Immanuel.^[d]

Luke 1:31 (NIV) ³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus.

Case #5

Promise to Peter – that he would deny Jesus three times before cock crows

Matthew 26:34 (NIV) ³⁴ "Truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "this very night, before the rooster crows, you will disown me three times."

Case #6

Promise to disciples – to conquer the grave and return after 3 days

Luke 9:22 (NIV) ²² And he said, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life."

Luke 21:34-36 (NIV) ³⁴ "Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵ For it will come on all those who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ Be always on the watch, and pray that

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you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.”

So why Trust in the Lord our God

Revelation 21:1-6 (NIV) Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,”^[a] for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. ² I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ⁴ ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’^[b] or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

⁵ He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” Then he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

⁶ He said to me: “It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life.