

TRUSTING GOD

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Trusting God does not mean believing that everything will turn out exactly the way we want. It means believing that **God is good, God is with us, and God will accomplish His purposes—even when we cannot see how or why.**

Throughout Scripture, God's people repeatedly found themselves in circumstances that seemed impossible. Israel stood trapped between Pharaoh's army and the Red Sea. Daniel faced a night in the lions' den. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego were thrown into the fire. Joseph endured betrayal, slavery, false accusation and prison. Paul experienced suffering, persecution and hardship. And Jesus Himself trusted the Father all the way through the cross to the resurrection.

God's deliverance did not look the same in every situation. Sometimes He brought people **out**. Sometimes He brought them **through**. Sometimes He met them **in the middle of it**. And sometimes He used the very circumstance they wanted removed to accomplish something greater than they could see. Yet through every story, one truth remained: **God was faithful and He can be trusted.**

Joseph's life reminds us that we should never judge God's goodness from the middle of our story. The pit, slavery and prison may have looked like evidence that God had forgotten him, yet Scripture repeatedly says, "**The Lord was with Joseph.**" His difficult circumstances did not mean that God was absent.

The deepest kind of faith says:

God can.

God may.

But even if He doesn't do what I am asking, He is still my God.

When you don't understand what God is up to, remember, **We don't have to know what God is going to do to trust who God is.**

Personal Reflection

1. What is my "Red Sea" right now?

What circumstance in my life feels impossible, overwhelming, uncertain or beyond my ability to fix?

Consider:

- Is there something I have been asking God to change or remove?
- Am I wondering why God has allowed me to be where I am?
- Do I feel forgotten, trapped or disappointed?
- Has God given me a promise that seems impossible from where I stand today?

Take a moment to name that situation honestly before God.

2. Can I trust God even if I do not yet understand what He is doing?

Ask yourself: *Am I trusting God because I believe He will give me the outcome I want—or am I trusting Him because I know who He is?*

Can I say today:

“Father, I do not know what You are doing. I do not know how this story will end. But I believe You are good. I believe You are with me. I believe You are faithful. So I place this situation—and my life—into Your hands.”

Today, choose to trust.

When there is a sea in front of you—**trust Him.**

When the fire is getting hotter—**trust Him.**

When you feel forgotten in the prison—**trust Him.**

When the storm is overwhelming—**trust Him.**

When the answer has not yet come—**trust Him.**

Because the testimony of Scripture is not that people who trust God never suffer. The testimony of Scripture is that **suffering never gets the final word.**

Romans 8:28 NIV - *“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.”*

Isaiah 43:1–3: *“But now, this is what the Lord says— he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel: “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior;.”*

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV - *“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”*

I will be praying for you! - Rev.Kev