**IN GOD WE TRUST**

**Jeremiah 17:7-8**

[**7**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Jeremiah-17-7/)**Blessed *is* the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is.**

[**8**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Jeremiah-17-8/) **For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and *that* spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.**

**INTRO:**

**\*\*The phrase, “In God We Trust” has been used since the late 1800s on certain coins. In 1956, the phrase was signed into law to be the national motto of the United States of America.**

**\*\* Through the years, atheists have said it violates the separation of church and state. Others have sited that the word “God” could be in reference to the God of the Bible or the god of the Koran.**

**\*\*Let me say there is only one God and that is the God of the Holy Bible – God the Father, God the Son (Jesus Christ), and God the Holy Ghost!**

**\*\*Many Christians love the motto, “In God We Trust.” We like seeing it on our money and on the bumper stickers of our first responders. However, do we really whole heartily put our trust in our God?**

**\*\*What does TRUST mean?**

 **1. It is Turning to the Lord**

 **2. It is Relying on the Lord**

 **3. It is Upholding the Lord**

 **4. It is Seeking the Lord**

 **5. It is Talking to the Lord**

**\*\*If we really put out trust in God as Christian people, here are three things we’re going to have to do:**

 **1. Escape the Fears!**

**Psalms 56:3 What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee.**

 **2. Embrace the Faith**

**Hebrews 10:38 Now the just shall live by faith: but if *any man* draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.**

**\*\* “Drawing back” is the opposite of embracing!**

 **3. Envision the Future**

**\*\*If in God we trust, then we trust Him with our future and we have a vision of that future.**

 **a. I’ll keep envisioning a Powerful Promise**

**John 14:3 He said, “I will come again . . .” I trust that!**

 **b. I’ll keep envisioning a Precious Place**

**John 14:2a He said, “In my Father’s house are many mansions . . .” I trust that!**

 **c. I’ll keep envisioning a Prepared Place**

**John 14:2c He said, “I go to prepare a place for you . . .”**

**I trust that!**

**\*\*Our only hope in this world is to put our trust in God!**

**\*\*I believe it’s time for us Christians to communicate our trust in the Lord!**

**\*\*Today I want to encourage you to trust God with your whole heart in four areas in this world we live in today.**

**\*\*If we really mean those four little words, “In God We Trust,” then we will trust Him in these four things.**

**I. LET’S TRUST GOD WITH OUR COUNTRY**

**\*\*Let me say that I don’t really trust any of the politicians with our country; however, in God I do trust!**

 **A. I Trust God’s Power in this Country**

**\*\*Let’s trust God . . .**

 **1. Despite the Politicians**

**Isaiah 40:21-23** [**21**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Isaiah-40-21/) **Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth?** [**22**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Isaiah-40-22/) ***It is* he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, . . .** [**23**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Isaiah-40-23/) **That bringeth the princes to nothing; he maketh the judges of the earth as vanity.**

 **2. Despite the Policies**

**Genesis 50:19-20  [19](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Genesis-50-19/%22%20%5Co%20%22Genesis%2050%3A19%20KJV%20verse%20detail)And Joseph said unto them, Fear not: for *am* I in the place of God?** [**20**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Genesis-50-20/) **But as for you, ye thought evil against me; *but* God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as *it is* this day, to save much people alive.**

 **3. Despite the Perversions**

**Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose.**

 **B. I Trust God’s Protection in this Country**

[**Isaiah 54:17**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Isaiah-54-17/)**- No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.**

 **1. He’ll protect us concerning our Enemies.**

 **2. He’ll protect us concerning our Economy.**

 **3. He’ll protect us concerning our Essentials.**

 **a. Our Faith b. Our Freedom c. Our Food**

 **C. I Trust God’s Promise in this Country**

**II Chronicles 7:14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.**

**\*\*We better start humbling ourselves, seeking God’s face, turning from our wicked ways, and praying out to God if we still want God’s promise and still want . . .**

 **1. The Freedom to Pray**

 **2. The Freedom to Praise**

 **3. The Freedom to Preach**

**\*\*Today I declare it’s in God I trust concerning my country!**

**II. LET’S TRUST GOD WITH OUR CHURCH**

**\*\*It’s in God I trust to send our church the help we need!**

**A. I Trust God to Send Us Spirit-filled Ministers to Help Us**

 **1. Ministers that are Called**

 **2. Ministers that are Compassionate**

 **3. Ministers that are Concerned**

**B. I Trust God to Send Us Saved Men to Help Us**

 **1. Men who live Holy**

 **2. Men who live Humble**

**C. I Trust God to Send Us Sainted Mothers to Help Us**

 **1. Mothers that Pray**

 **2. Mothers that Praise**

 **3. Mothers that Persevere**

**D. I Trust God to Send Us Special Movements to Help Us**

**\*\*Movements of the Holy Spirit and the Holy Savior!**

**E. I Trust God to Send Us Sound Minds to Help Us**

**\*\*I’m trusting God to continue blessing us with people who have sound minds when it comes to 1. Our Doctrine**

**2. Our Discernment 3. Our Dedication, and 4. Our Duties**

**\*\*A mind is a terrible thing to waste, and any church can become a waste when the members don’t have any mind!**

**\*\*Today I declare it’s in God I trust concerning my church!**

**III. LET’S TRUST GOD WITH OUR CHILDREN**

**Genesis 22:9 And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.**

**\*\*Abraham trusted God with his child so why can’t we?**

**\*\*When is the last time you laid your kids on the altar?**

**\*\*Lay your kids on the altar and trust God . . .**

 **A. Concerning their Faith**

 **1. Trust God that they will get Saved!**

 **2. Trust God that they will get Spirit-filled!**

 **3. Trust God that they will get Settled!**

 **\*\*Settled and grounded in Christ and the Church!**

 **B. Concerning their Family**

 **1. Trust God and pray for their Companion.**

 **2. Trust God and pray for their Children.**

 **C. Concerning their Failures**

**\*\*When they fail, trust God to help them to . . .**

**1. Turn to Christ 2. Turn to Christians 3. Turn to Church**

**\*\*Today I declare it’s in God I trust concerning my children!**

**IV. LET’S TRUST GOD WITH OUR CARES**

[**1 Peter 5:7**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Peter-5-7/)**- Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.**

**\*\*The best way to trust God with your cares is to get in a closet and don’t leave until you’ve prayed through!**

**Matthew 6:6 But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.**

**\*\*Behind those closed doors you’ll find. . .**

 **A. A Peace in your Prayer Closet**

**\*\*Get in that prayer closet and give God your Doubts, your Distress, your Depression, your Disappointments, and trust God! That’s when you will find peace!**

 **B. A Perception in your Prayer Closet**

**\*\*When you trust God in you prayer closet, He’ll show you His Glory, His Goodness, and His Grace!**

 **C. A Plan in your Prayer Closet**

 **1. God’s got a plan for your Load in that closet.**

 **2. God’s got a plan for your Labor in that closet.**

 **3. God’s got a plan for your Life in that closet.**

 **D. A Power in your Prayer Closet**

 **1. It’s a power that allows you to openly Win**

 **a. You’ll openly win over Sin**

 **b. You’ll openly win over Satan**

 **c. You’ll openly win over Souls**

 **2. It’s a power that allows you to openly Worship**

 **a. You can worship Untamed!**

 **b. You can worship Unashamed!**

**\*\*Today I declare it’s in God I trust concerning my cares!**

**CLOSE**

**Illustration: Once a Christian man observed that after he got his paycheck for the week, he started on his way to the bank. Along the way, he remembered an errand he had to run, and he did not make it to the bank. Instead, he only made it half-way to the bank.**

 **The next Sunday he told his story in Sunday School. He said, “This is what I noticed. The day I only went half-way to the bank, the bank did not pay me the value of my check! However, the next day, I went all the way to the bank and took my check to the teller. It was then that I received my payment in full.”**

 **He went on to say, “Church – half-trust in the Lord is no trust at all, and you will not receive a reward for it. This is why so many Christians live in Spiritual poverty.”**

**\*\*The United States of America’s nationwide motto is “In God We Trust.” However, do you and I really put all of our faith and trust in the Lord and His abilities?**

**\*\*Do we really trust God with our Country, our Church, our Children, and our Cares?**

**\*\*If you really trust Him, then come and show God you trust Him by praying for your Country, your Church, your Children, and your Cares!**

**Jeremiah 17:7 [7](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Jeremiah-17-7/%22%20%5Co%20%22Jeremiah%2017%3A7%20KJV%20verse%20detail) Blessed *is* the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is.**

**Psalms 62:8 Trust in the Lord at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before him: God is a refuge for us. Selah.**

**\*\* It’s time to put your trust in God – now!!**

**Illustration: A young man commented on Psalms 62:8 one time. He said that when the sun was shining and all was going well, it was easy to trust the Lord. However, when the clouds started forming and the forecast called for severe weather and damaging winds ahead, he said his world would often come crashing down. He found comfort though in Psalms 62:8 because God inspired the psalmist to trust God at all times!**

**\*\*At all times means all the time, and now is the time to throw ourselves and our hearts on the altar and tell God, “In God We Trust!”**