

Title: Where is Your Trust?
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Message

Psalm 20:7 & 8 (AMP)

7 Some trust in and boast of chariots and some of horses, but we will trust in and boast of the name of the Lord our God. 8 They are bowed down and fallen, but we are risen and stand upright.

Warning

Isaiah 30:1-3

1 "Woe to the rebellious children," says the LORD, "Who take counsel, but not of Me, and who devise plans, but not of My Spirit, that they may add sin to sin; 2 Who walk to go down to Egypt, and have not asked My advice, to strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, and to trust in the shadow of Egypt! 3 Therefore the strength of Pharaoh shall be your shame, and trust in the shadow of Egypt shall be your humiliation.

Why Egypt?

Isaiah 31:1

Woe to those who go down to Egypt for help, and rely on horses, who trust in chariots because they are many, and in horsemen because they are very strong, but who do not look to the Holy One of Israel, nor seek the LORD!

Where it all started

Genesis 3:1 (GNB)

Now the snake was the most cunning animal that the LORD God had made. The snake asked the woman, "Did God really tell you not to eat fruit from any tree in the garden?"

Pitfall 1: Trusting yourself

Proverbs 3:5 & 6

⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding;

⁶ In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.

2 Corinthians 1:9 & 10

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

Pitfall 2: Trusting in man

Psalm 118:8 & 9

8 It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man. 9 It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes.

Psalm 146:3 & 4

3 Do not put your trust in princes, nor in a son of man, in whom there is no help. 4 His spirit departs, he returns to his earth; in that very day his plans perish.

Pitfall 3: Trusting human wisdom

1 Corinthians 2:4 & 5 (NTL)

4 And my message and my preaching were very plain. Rather than using clever and persuasive speeches, I relied only on the power of the Holy Spirit. 5 I did this so you would trust not in human wisdom but in the power of God.

Pitfall 4: Trusting in money

Mark 10:24

And the disciples were astonished at His words. But Jesus answered again and said to them, "Children, how hard it is for those who trust in riches to enter the kingdom of God!

1 Timothy 6:17

Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, nor to trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy.

When we trust God

Proverbs 3:7-10

7 Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and depart from evil. 8 It will be health to your flesh, and strength to your bones. 9 Honor the LORD with your possessions, and with the firstfruits of all your increase; 10 So your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine.

Psalms 146:5-10

5 Happy is he who has the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the LORD his God, 6 who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps truth forever, 7 who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The LORD gives freedom to the prisoners. 8 The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD raises those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. 9 The LORD watches over the strangers; He relieves the fatherless and widow; but the way of the wicked He turns upside down. 10 The LORD shall reign forever— Your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!