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Trust God!

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Who do you think God is? Your next faith action hinges on this question

Matthew 16:13-20 (Living Bible, TLB)

13 When Jesus came to Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who are the people saying I am?” 14 “Well,” they replied, “some say John the Baptist; some, Elijah; some, Jeremiah or one of the other prophets.” 15 Then he asked them, “Who do you think I am?” 16 Simon Peter answered, “The Christ, the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” 17 “God has blessed you, Simon, son of Jonah,” Jesus said, “for my Father in heaven has personally revealed this to you—this is not from any human source.

Who do you think God is? We all will trust God to the level we know Him

- **ADONAI: “Lord” (Genesis 15:2; Judges 6:15) – used in place of YHWH, which was thought by the Jews to be too sacred to be uttered by sinful men. In the Old Testament, YHWH is more often used in God’s dealings with His people, while *Adonai* is used more when He deals with the Gentiles.**
- **YHWH / YAHWEH / JEHOVAH: “LORD” (Deuteronomy 6:4; Daniel 9:14) – strictly speaking, the only proper name for God. Translated in English Bibles “LORD” (all capitals) to distinguish it from *Adonai*, “Lord.” The revelation of the name is first given to Moses “I Am who I Am” (Exodus 3:14). This name specifies an immediacy, a presence. Yahweh is present, accessible, near to those who call on Him for deliverance (Psalm 107:13), forgiveness (Psalm 25:11) and guidance (Psalm 31:3).**
- **YAHWEH-JIREH: “The Lord Will Provide” (Genesis 22:14) – the name memorialized by Abraham when God provided the ram to be sacrificed in place of Isaac.**

Who do you think God is? Our faith is tested in areas where He is unknown to us

- **EL, ELOAH:** God "mighty, strong, prominent" ([Nehemiah 9:17](#); [Psalm 139:19](#)) – etymologically, *El* appears to mean “power,” as in “I have the power to harm you” ([Genesis 31:29](#)). *El* is associated with other qualities, such as integrity ([Numbers 23:19](#)), jealousy ([Deuteronomy 5:9](#)), and compassion ([Nehemiah 9:31](#)), but the root idea of “might” remains.
- **ELOHIM:** God “Creator, Mighty and Strong” ([Genesis 17:7](#); [Jeremiah 31:33](#)) – the plural form of *Eloah*, which accommodates the doctrine of the Trinity. From the Bible’s first sentence, the superlative nature of God’s power is evident as God (Elohim) speaks the world into existence ([Genesis 1:1](#)).
- **EL SHADDAI:** “God Almighty,” “The Mighty One of Jacob” ([Genesis 49:24](#); [Psalm 132:2,5](#)) – speaks to God’s ultimate power over all.

Who do you think God is? We get to Know/Trust God better when we live by faith

- **EL ELYON:** “Most High” ([Deuteronomy 26:19](#)) – derived from the Hebrew root for “go up” or “ascend,” so the implication is of that which is the very highest. *El Elyon* denotes exaltation and speaks of absolute right to lordship.
- **EL ROI:** "God of Seeing" ([Genesis 16:13](#)) – the name ascribed to God by Hagar, alone and desperate in the wilderness after being driven out by Sara ([Genesis 16:1-14](#)). When Hagar met the Angel of the Lord, she realized she had seen God Himself in a theophany. She also realized that *El Roi* saw her in her distress and testified that He is a God who lives and sees all.
- **EL-OLAM:** "Everlasting God" ([Psalm 90:1-3](#)) – God’s nature is without beginning or end, free from all constraints of time, and He contains within Himself the very cause of time itself. “From everlasting to everlasting, You are God.”
- **EL-GIBHOR:** “Mighty God” ([Isaiah 9:6](#)) – the name describing the Messiah, Christ Jesus, in this prophetic portion of Isaiah. As a powerful and mighty warrior, the Messiah, the Mighty God, will accomplish the destruction of God’s enemies and rule with a rod of iron ([Revelation 19:15](#)).

Who do you think God is?

- **YAHWEH-ELOHIM:** "LORD God" ([Genesis 2:4](#); [Psalm 59:5](#)) – a combination of God’s unique name YHWH and the generic “Lord,” signifying that He is the Lord of Lords.
- **YAHWEH-TSIDKENU:** "The Lord Our Righteousness" ([Jeremiah 33:16](#)) – As with YHWH-M’Kaddesh, it is God alone who provides righteousness to

man, ultimately in the person of His Son, Jesus Christ, who became sin for us “that we might become the Righteousness of God in Him” ([2 Corinthians 5:21](#)).

- **YAHWEH-ROHI: "The Lord Our Shepherd" ([Psalm 23:1](#))** – After David pondered his relationship as a shepherd to his sheep, he realized that was exactly the relationship God had with him, and so he declares, “Yahweh-Rohi is my Shepherd. I shall not want” ([Psalm 23:1](#)).
- **YAHWEH-SHAMMAH: "The Lord Is There" ([Ezekiel 48:35](#))** – the name ascribed to Jerusalem and the Temple there, indicating that the once-departed glory of the Lord ([Ezekiel 8–11](#)) had returned ([Ezekiel 44:1-4](#)).
- **YAHWEH-SABAOTH: "The Lord of Hosts" ([Isaiah 1:24](#); [Psalm 46:7](#))** – *Hosts* means “hordes,” both of angels and of men. He is Lord of the host of heaven and of the inhabitants of the earth, of Jews and Gentiles, of rich and poor, master and slave. The name is expressive of the majesty, power, and authority of God and shows that He is able to accomplish what He determines to do.
- **YAHWEH-RAPHA: "The Lord Who Heals" ([Exodus 15:26](#))** – “I am Jehovah who heals you” both in body and soul. In body, by preserving from and curing diseases, and in soul, by pardoning iniquities.
- **YAHWEH-NISSI: "The Lord Our Banner" ([Exodus 17:15](#))**, where *banner* is understood to be a rallying place. This name commemorates the desert victory over the Amalekites in [Exodus 17](#).
- **YAHWEH-M'KADDESH: "The Lord Who Sanctifies, Makes Holy" ([Leviticus 20:8](#); [Ezekiel 37:28](#))** – God makes it clear that He alone, not the law, can cleanse His people and make them holy.
- **YAHWEH-SHALOM: "The Lord Our Peace" ([Judges 6:24](#))** – the name given by Gideon to the altar he built after the Angel of the Lord assured him he would not die as he thought he would after seeing Him.

Who do you think God is?

- **He is a God that gives instructions for correction**

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (Amplified Bible, AMP)

16 All Scripture is God-breathed [given by divine inspiration] and is profitable for instruction, for conviction [of sin], for correction [of error and restoration to obedience], for training in righteousness [learning to live in conformity to God’s will, both publicly and privately—behaving honorably with personal integrity and moral courage]; 17 so that the man of God may be complete *and* proficient, outfitted *and* thoroughly equipped for every good work.

➤ **He is a forgiving God**

1 John 1:9 (TLB)

9 But if we confess our sins to him, he can be depended on to forgive us and to cleanse us from every wrong. And it is perfectly proper for God to do this for us because Christ died to wash away our sins.*

Acts 3:19 (New Living Translation, NLT)

19 Now repent of your sins and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped away.

Daniel 9:9 (NLT)

9 But the Lord our God is merciful and forgiving, even though we have rebelled against him.

Matthew 6:14-15 (NLT)

14 "If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. 15 But if you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins.

➤ **He is a God that Loves us!**

John 3:16 (English Standard Version, ESV)

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Romans 5:8 (ESV)

but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Ephesians 2:4-5 (NLT)

4 But God is so rich in mercy, and he loved us so much, 5 that even though we were dead because of our sins, he gave us life when he raised Christ from the dead. (It is only by God's grace that you have been saved!)

If you trust God with some of your life you will never feel fulfilled; if you trust Him with ALL of your life you will have experiences beyond what you can imagine.

Galatians 6:7-9 (New Life Version, NLV)

7 Do not be fooled. You cannot fool God. A man will get back whatever he plants! 8 If a man does things to please his sinful old self, his soul will be lost. If a man does things to please the Holy Spirit, he will have life that lasts forever. 9 Do not let yourselves get tired of doing good. If we do not give up, we will get what is coming to us at the right time.

Trust in God!

Proverbs 3:5 (NLT)

5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding.

Mark 11:22 (Amplified Bible, Classic Edition, AMPC)

22 And Jesus, replying, said to them, Have faith in God [**constantly**].

You can't trust Him if you can't hear Him

Proverbs 3:5-12 (The Message, MSG)

Trust God from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own. **Listen for God's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go; he's the one who will keep you on track.** Don't assume that you know it all. Run to God! Run from evil! Your body will glow with health, your very bones will vibrate with life! Honor God with everything you own; give him the first and the best. Your barns will burst, your wine vats will brim over. But don't, dear friend, resent God's discipline; don't sulk under his loving correction. It's the child he loves that God corrects; a father's delight is behind all this.

Psalm 46:10 (AMP)

10 **"Be still and know (recognize, understand) that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations! I will be exalted in the earth."**

John 10:27-28 (NLT)

27 **My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.** 28 **I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one can snatch them away from me,**

Trust God with ALL your heart and mind

Proverbs 3:5 (AMPC)

5 **Lean on, trust in, *and* be confident in the Lord** with all your heart *and* mind and do not rely on your own insight *or* understanding.

Proverbs 4:23 (NLT)

23 **Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life.**

Proverbs 4:23-27 (MSG)

23-27 **Keep vigilant watch over your heart; *that's* where life starts. Don't talk out of both sides of your mouth; avoid careless banter, white lies, and gossip. Keep your eyes straight ahead; ignore all sideshow distractions. Watch your step, and the road will stretch out smooth before you. Look neither right nor left; leave evil in the dust.**

Philippians 4:6-7 (NLT)

6 Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. 7 Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

When you Trust GOD for a miracle He will always give you an instruction

Malachi 3:7-11 (NLT)

7 Ever since the days of your ancestors, you have scorned my decrees and failed to obey them. Now return to me, and I will return to you,” says the Lord of Heaven’s Armies. “But you ask, ‘How can we return when we have never gone away?’ 8 “Should people cheat God? Yet you have cheated me! “But you ask, ‘What do you mean? When did we ever cheat you?’ “You have cheated me of the tithes and offerings due to me. 9 You are under a curse, for your whole nation has been cheating me. 10 Bring all the tithes into the storehouse so there will be enough food in my Temple. If you do,” says the Lord of Heaven’s Armies, “I will open the windows of heaven for you. I will pour out a blessing so great you won’t have enough room to take it in! Try it! Put me to the test! 11 Your crops will be abundant, for I will guard them from insects and disease. Your grapes will not fall from the vine before they are ripe,” says the Lord of Heaven’s Armies.

What happens when we completely Trust God?

- **We begin to walk by faith and not by senses**
- **We witness God’s Word become reality**
- **We mature spiritually thus foundationally**
- **We reduce stress, strife, and struggle**
- **We obtain favor with God and man**
- **We do our part and we give the rest to God**
- **We consistently witness answered prayers**
- **We wait with patience while staying Holy**
- **We prosper in every area in our lives**
- **We understand that we are managers of our possessions and everything we release for the sake of the Gospel must return back in a greater measure.**