

I. Intro:

As Christians what are we trusting in? God, the Sunday School answer is a hearty yes; but, what are we really trusting in.

II. Body: We should trust God because he is love, because he is Sovereign: He has our best in mind.

A. We should trust God because he is sovereign.

1. God created all things and is Sovereign over them.

Joshua 10:13; Isaiah 20:1-11

2. God is Sovereign over the elements

Genesis 6 – 10; Exodus 14:13-31; Joshua 3:1 – 4:24; Exodus 14:13; Numbers 20:8 – 10

3. God is Sovereign over governments

1 Kinga 11:4-13; 2 Kings 18:13 – 19:37; Jeremiah 25:12 – 14; 27:1 – 11

4. God is Sovereign over the animals.

Numbers 2:31; 11:31 – 35; Jonah 1:17 – 2:10; 4:6 – 8; Exodus 8:1 – 15; Exodus 8:16 – 32; Exodus 10:12 – 20

5. God is Sovereign over people too

Job 2:3; Genesis 11:9; Romans 3:10 – 11; Ephesians 2:1-10, esp. v4, 5 & 8; Titus 3:5 – 7

6. This doesn't even address that Jesus fed 3,000 and also fed 5,000 in separate events, each time with a small meal. He walked on water, calmed the storm, and slipped through the hands of people when his hometown tried to throw him off a cliff. He caught so many fish the net was breaking and once had Peter catch a single fish the pay their taxes with the coin in the fish's mouth. Jesus caused the lame to walk, the blind to see, the leper to leap, the deaf to hear, and the dead he brought back to life.

God is Sovereign over everything.

We should trust God because he is Sovereign, he has the power to bring about his will.

B. We should trust God because he is love.

1. God is love (1 John 4:8, 16). That is a that is heard frequently in Christian communities. What does it mean?

A Google search, Romeo and Juliet, Noah Webster's Dictionary 1828

In short, we love whatever gives us pleasure or Delight. We will come back to that part

2. Love Is...

3. I would argue that God loves us, not because of ourselves, but IN SPITE of Ourselves. Deuteronomy 7:7; Hosea 3:1 – 10; Raisin cakes are sometimes use infertility cult worship such as in Jeremiah. 7:18 and Jeremiah 44:19 in reference to worship of the Queen of Heaven, a fertility goddess.

We read that God loved the world and gave his son and John. 3:16

There are many references the love God has for people in the book of Ephesians 1:4, 2:4, 3:17, 4:2, 5:2, and 6:23.

John 15:13

We love whatever gives us pleasure or Delight.

What gives God the delight or pleasure? The scripture tells us that it **pleased** God to sacrifice his son we read. It **pleased the Lord to crush** his son because it brought the Lord delight by bringing restoration between God and The Sinner (Isaiah 53:10).

III. Conclusion

Therefore, we should trust God because he is love, he is a supreme Sovereign, and because he has our best in mind.

Do we trust God? Does it show in the way we live our lives?

Have you ever done a faith fall?

Just like a faith fall from a table, so also is the walk of faith for a Christian. You say that you trust God. I know that we say we do. We trust God for salvation from the lake of fire and most readily with the big decisions in life. We trust God with the results we have little control over very easily.

How about **deciding where to move or live**? Do you automatically look for the crime-free community with good schools and block out consideration of low-income communities? Perhaps communities that have schools that are not at the top-rated level for your children. There isn't anything wrong with being a witness to the wealthy and socially mobile. Somebody has to be the light in that Darkness. But are you trusting your wisdom and strength or are you trusting God?

How do you choose your **employer or career**? Do you look for the best paying or do you go? I have recently been challenged by this. And by God's grace and mercy I was redirected to my current position. Because I had been trusting in my own strength and wisdom.

What **college or university** do you go to? What a good college with a high tuition be the best or someplace with the lesser-known name or maybe a better Financial package? Maybe the academically recognize college with the higher tuition is the best past. But are you trusting yourself with your strength and wisdom or are you trusting God with the decision?

Do you **support and pray for the political leaders** who enact policies you endorse just as much as you the political leader that enact policies that you do not endorse? There is much of vitriol, must individual and interpersonal conflict in this country because of politics. Family members and longtime friends no longer speak to each other, Fist fights break out at gatherings because of one political leaders' actions are policies verses another's policies are actions.

Are you trusting in the political leader of the day, are you trusting in the government to change the community and society that you live in? Or are you trusting in God? Are you trusting the government to be the salt in light to change society by your actions? I believe that Christians have a right and responsibility to

be involved in government but we ought not to be trusting leaders of unrighteousness to make our culture righteous, God calls individual Christians to be the change agents in their community.

In all of these decisions we first have to seek God and pray: that's the beginning of trusting him. But then finally, we have to follow the direction that he gives us; we may look back, we may have anxiety, but we still have to follow.