
Do We Trust that GOD Has All Things in His Hands?

Sometimes it is hard for us as Christians to accept the act that even though we belong to God through our faith in Jesus Christ, sometimes we experience the same problems, addictions, and reoccurring sin that plagued us before we were saved. Even though we know better, we attempt to fix these spiritual problems through fleshy means. We attempt to use self-determination and self-control to bring our flesh under subjection. We allow our pride and our sinful nature to stand in our way of our healing. Thankfully, the solution to our problems is found in His word. For He will direct are path, sustain us, and He will never permit the righteous to fall.

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NKJV)

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.

⁷ Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the LORD and depart from evil.

Psalms 55:22 (NKJV)

²² Cast your burden on the LORD, And He shall sustain you; He shall never permit the righteous to be moved.

Psalms 145:15-19 (NKJV)

¹⁵ The eyes of all look expectantly to You, And You give them their food in due season.

¹⁶ You open Your hand And satisfy the desire of every living thing.

¹⁷ The LORD *is* righteous in all His ways, Gracious in all His works.

¹⁸ The LORD *is* near to all who call upon Him, To all who call upon Him in truth.

¹⁹ He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him; He also will hear their cry and save them.

We see in these verses that God will sustain and guide us, and that He declares both His ability and willingness to be our strength and support physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually. He takes everything that threatens to destroy and overwhelm us, and uses it for our benefit according to His purpose.

Because we can't see what He is doing we doubt Him. However, He is still working for our good with His lovingkindness, for His glory and righteousness. God's word tells us that all things work together for the good, and if we are truly seeking God whole heartily nothing can ever stand in His way and His will for our lives.

Romans 8:27-31 (NKJV)

²⁷ Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit *is*, because He makes intercession for the saints according to *the will of God*.

²⁸ And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to *His purpose*.

²⁹ For whom He foreknew, He also predestined *to be conformed to the image of His Son*, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

³⁰ Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *can be* against us?

If we are honest with ourselves, we all have questioned God at some point in time. We ask, “Where are you?” “Why aren’t you doing anything to help with the trials and tribulations that I am dealing with?” “Why are you so slow to act on my behalf with what I am facing?” The reasons may be many. However, let us look at a couple of possibilities.

Perhaps we have un-repentent sin.

2 Chronicles 7:14 (NKJV)

¹⁴ if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

2 Peter 3:9 (NKJV)

⁹ The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

Maybe it is not His timing or His will for the things we are suffering through to be taken away just yet.

Romans 11:33 (NKJV)

³³ Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable *are* His judgments and His ways past finding out!

Acts 1:6-8 (NKJV)

⁶ Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?"

⁷ And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority.

⁸ But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

We should not have a lack of faith in God because of the problems we are dealing with, rather we should be rejoicing in our trials and tribulations because God will use them to our benefit.

Romans 5:3-4 (NKJV)

³ And not only *that*, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance;

⁴ and perseverance, character; and character, hope.

What we need to understand is that God is not cold and without feelings or compassion. Rather, He is our heavenly Father whose heart is tender with mercy and love towards His children. Just as we, being fathers and mothers, will not deny our children any good thing, nor stop loving our children, neither will God.

Matthew 7:11 (NKJV)

¹¹ If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!

God wants to give us good and perfect gifts with the ultimate gift being eternal life in heaven with Him for those who confess the Lord Jesus and believe in their hearts that God raised Him from the dead.

Romans 10:9 (NKJV)

⁹ that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

We need to stand firm in the Lord and pray to him wholeheartedly. We need to thank Him for what He has done, is doing, and will do for us in our lives. We need to ask God to help us and give us the strength to overcome all our sinful desires, and deliver us from our wicked ways as well as the darkness that surrounds us in the world that we live in. In our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we can overcome all things and find peace in Him, for He has overcome the world.

John 16:33 (NKJV)

³³ These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.