

Entrust your life to the God of security

I encourage you to entrust your life to the God of security.

While this world may entrust itself to politics, wealth, an improved environment, and pleasure; it finds no security that can endure the grave, let alone the struggles of daily life. Sadly, worldly efforts to accumulate stuff that is meant to bring lasting and satisfying peace and security fails miserably to fulfil its promises.

Mankind's greatest need remains the same; to be restored to a right relationship with God. Only then, can we experience the peace and security we so desperately long for.



Wisdom you can trust

Psalm 16 is rich with lessons revolving around this whole issue of trust. We do well to acknowledge God, like David, who said; *"You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you"* (Psa 16:2). Jesus' younger half-brother James agreed; *"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights ..."* (James 1:17). God is the only source of any and all good things, weather directly or indirectly, He is the origin of good!

David then acknowledged God's ultimate rulership over his life, stating; *"The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot"* (Psa 16:5). David understood that the Lord is the invisible and determining factor in his life, having the final say over all circumstances and events. While some are offended by that, the believer in God rests content and secure in this knowledge.

Wisdom to crab on to

Realising God's personal interest in you, and His commitment to engage invisibly in the events of your life, produces confidence which you can entrust yourself to. Just as David could say; *"I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken"* (Psa 16:8), so can we also experience such confidence in the Lord following surrender to Him.

Following David's choice to place his dependence in the Lord, He was able to say; *"my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure"* (Psa 16:9). David realised that having entrusted himself; body, mind, and spirit, to God, produced emotional and spiritual joy which was accompanied by the physical realisation of security. He could relax in the certainty of God! God was greater than David's inability to control, greater than his inability to foresee the future, and greater than his inability to overcome personal sin and weak faith. His relationship with the Lord was not based upon his ability to please God; rather, it was based upon his faith in God, to which God responded with acceptance and security.

Wisdom to act upon

This life governing confidence in God does not simply pop into our lives without cause. No, this state of certain hope results from God working in our lives. He makes us aware of Himself through creation, through circumstances, through conscience, through His Word, and through faithful Christians

who love us enough to speak about the Lord. So, *“let us choose what is right; let us know among ourselves what is good,”* (Job 34:4) for *“those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you”* (Psalms 9:10).

Today, I invite you to surrender in dependant faith in God. Turn to His Son the Lord Jesus Christ, seek His forgiveness, call upon His mercy, and receive His cleansing and the gift of eternal life.

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