

TRUSTING GOD OUR FATHER

CENTRAL LESSON TRUTH- "GOD IS NOT ONLY OUR GOD BUT HE IS OUR FATHER"

Psalm 103:13 NLT

THE LORD IS LIKE A FATHER TO HIS CHILDREN, TENDER AND COMPASSIONATE TO THOSE WHO FEAR HIM.

John 20:16-17 NLT

"Mary!" Jesus said. She turned to him and cried out, "Rabboni!" (which is Hebrew for "Teacher"). [17] "Don't cling to me," Jesus said, "for I haven't yet ascended to the Father. But go find my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my FATHER AND YOUR FATHER, TO MY GOD AND YOUR GOD.'

QUESTION: WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO KNOW GOD AS OUR FATHER?

EVERY GOOD , NECESSARY AND BENEFICIAL THING FOR LIFE AND TO LIVE A GODLY LIFESTYLE COMES FROM OUR FATHER

James 1:17 NLT

Whatever is good and perfect is a gift coming down to us from God our Father, who created all the lights in the heavens. He never changes or casts a shifting shadow.

7 BENEFICIAL THINGS WE RECEIVE FROM OUR FATHER

WE RECEIVE OUR LIFE ,
IDENTITY, INHERITANCE, PROTECTION, WELFARE, DISCIPLINE & BLESSING
FROM OUR FATHERS

POWER POINT- THE #1 REASON JESUS CAME IS TO RESTORE OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD AS OUR FATHER. GOD IS OUR HEAVENLY OR SPIRITUAL FATHER.

John 14:6-12 NLT

Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me. [7] If you had really known me, you would know who my Father is. From now on, you do know him and have seen him!" [8] Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." [9] Jesus replied, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and yet you still don't know who I am? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father! So why are you asking me to show him to you? [10] Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? THE WORDS I SPEAK ARE NOT MY OWN, BUT MY FATHER WHO LIVES IN ME DOES HIS WORK THROUGH ME. [11] JUST BELIEVE THAT I AM IN THE FATHER AND THE FATHER IS IN ME. OR AT LEAST BELIEVE BECAUSE OF THE WORK YOU HAVE SEEN ME DO.

ALL THE WORDS SPOKEN BY JESUS & WORKS JESUS DID DEMONSTRATED THE CHARACTER AND LOVE OF GOD OUR FATHER.

John 5:36 NLT

But I have a greater witness than John — my TEACHINGS AND MY MIRACLES. The Father gave me these works to accomplish, and they prove that he sent me.

QUESTION: WHAT ARE THE WORKS, JESUS DID?

Matthew 9:35-38 NIV

Jesus went through all the towns and villages, TEACHING in their synagogues, PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS OF THE KINGDOM AND HEALING EVERY DISEASE AND SICKNESS. [36] When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. [37] Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. [38] Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.

3 CATEGORIES OF WORKS JESUS DID

1. TEACHING
2. PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS
3. HEALING

NOTE: JESUS SAID BELIEVERS ARE EMPOWERED TO DO THE WORKS HE DID

[12] "I TELL YOU THE TRUTH, ANYONE WHO BELIEVES IN ME WILL DO THE SAME WORKS I HAVE DONE, AND EVEN GREATER WORKS, , BECAUSE I AM GOING TO BE WITH THE FATHER.

WE ARE EMPOWERED BY HOLY SPIRIT TO TEACH THE WORD, PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL & HEAL THE SICK.

JESUS SAID THESE SIGNS PROVES HE WAS SENT BY THE FATHER AND WHEN WE SEE HIM WE SEE THE FATHER.

TEACHING & PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL & HEALING THE SICK IS PROOF WE ARE SENT BY JESUS & GOD IS OUR FATHER.

Mark 16:17-18 TPT

And these miracle signs will accompany those who believe: They will drive out demons in the power of my name. They will speak in tongues. [18] They will be supernaturally protected from snakes and from drinking anything poisonous. And they WILL LAY HANDS ON THE SICK AND HEAL THEM."

SIGN: miracles and wonders by which God authenticates the men sent by him, or by which men prove that the cause they are pleading is God's

GOD YOUR FATHER IS AN AMAZING GOOD FATHER. HE IS THE ULTIMATE GOOD

FATHER. HIS DELIGHT IS BLESSING YOU WITH HIS BEST.

Matthew 7:11 TLB

And if you hard-hearted, sinful men know how to give good gifts to your children, won't your Father in heaven even more certainly give good gifts to those who ask him for them?

Luke 12:32 TPT

So don't ever be afraid, dearest friends! Your loving Father joyously gives you his kingdom realm with all its promises!

POWER POINT: GOD YOUR FATHER WANTS YOU TO LIVE A CARE FREE WORRY FREE WINNING LIFE

QUESTION: WITH ALL THE CHALLENGES HOW CAN WE DO THIS?

1. YOU MUST BE CONVINCED WORRY IS NOT GOD'S WILL FOR YOU

1 Peter 5:7 NLT

Give all your worries and cares to God Your Father, for he cares about you.

2. YOU MUST MAKE AN UNWAVERING, UNCONDITIONAL COMMITMENT TO TRUST GOD

Psalms 37:3-5 TPT

Keep trusting in the Lord and do what is right in his eyes. #Fix your heart on the promises of God (YOUR FATHER) and #you will be secure, #feasting on his faithfulness(RECEIVING THE PROMISED BLESSINGS)

OBSERVATIONS FROM THE PSALM

1. KEEP TRUSTING THE LORD

THE FIRST CONDITION WE MUST MEET IS KEEP , CONTINUE TRUSTING, HAVING CONFIDENCE IN GOD IN THE CALM & IN THE STORMS OF LIFE.

Psalms 112:7 KJVS

He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his HEART IS FIXED, TRUSTING IN THE LORD.

Psalms 112:7 NLT

THEY DO NOT FEAR BAD NEWS; ; THEY CONFIDENTLY TRUST THE LORD TO CARE FOR THEM.

POWER POINT: A FIXED HEART IS A CONFIDENT , UNSHAKABLE, STEADFAST, UNWAVERING IN FAITH HEART THAT IS FULLY PERSUADED ABSOLUTELY CONVINCED GOD WILL DO WHAT HE PROMISED.

2. DO WHAT IS RIGHT

QUESTION: WHAT DOES GOD SAY IS RIGHT?

James 2:8 NIV

If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing right.

WHAT IS REAL BIBLE LOVE

Romans 13:8-10 NLT

Owe nothing to anyone-except for your obligation to love one another. If you love your neighbor, you will fulfill the requirements of God's law. [9] For the commandments say, "You must not commit adultery. You must not murder. You must not steal. You must not covet." These-and other such commandments-are summed up in this one commandment: "Love your neighbor as yourself." [10] Love does no wrong to others, so love fulfills the requirements of God's law.

3. STAYING FOCUSED ON THE WORD (GOD'S PROMISES & INSTRUCTIONS)

Isaiah 26:3 KJVS

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee : because he trusteth in thee.

Isaiah 26:3 TPT

Perfect, absolute peace surrounds those whose imaginations are consumed with you; they confidently trust in you.

WE MUST KEEP OUR MIND FIXED ON THE WORD ON PURPOSE

Colossians 3:2 KJVS

Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

Colossians 3:2 TPT

Yes, feast on all the treasures of the heavenly realm and fill your thoughts with heavenly realities, and not with the distractions of the natural realm.

QUESTION: HOW DO I KEEP MY MIND ON THE WORD IN A CRISIS?

IN OTHER WORDS HOW CAN I CONTROL MY NEGATIVE THOUGHTS. I KNOW THE BIBLE SAYS I SHOULD CAST DOWN NEGATIVE DEVILISH THOUGHTS

1. READ THE WORD TO YOURSELF (loud enough for you to hear yourself)
2. MEDITATE ON THE WORD- PONDER THE WORD. MUTTER IT TO YOURSELF & THINK ON WHAT IT SAYS.

MEDITATION PAINTS A PICTURE OF THE WORD ON YOUR IMAGINATION

Psalm 63:6 NLT

I lie awake thinking of you, meditating on you through the night.

3. CONSISTENTLY CONFESS THE WORD

CONFESS (AGREEING WITH, SAYING WHAT YOU BELIEVE)

2 Corinthians 4:13 NIV

It is written: "I believed; therefore I have spoken." Since we have that same spirit of faith, we also believe and therefore speak,

4. GOD'S FAITHFULNESS - OUR FAITH IS BASED ON GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

Psalm 71:22 NLT

...I will praise you with music on the harp, because you are faithful to your promises, O my God....

1 Thessalonians 5:24 NIV

The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.

1 Corinthians 1:9 NLT

GOD WILL DO THIS, FOR HE IS FAITHFUL TO DO WHAT HE SAYS, and he has invited you into partnership with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

YOU CAN BE SECURE IN TRUSTING GOD BECAUSE HE IS FAITHFUL TO FULFILL ALL HIS PROMISES!!!