

I Am Just Going To Trust The Lord

An Article About BLIND Trust Versus REASONED Trust



What does it mean to trust the Lord? Does it mean that we can do whatever we want and ignore God's warnings, with the assumption that we can trust God to take care of us and our loved ones no matter how we live or no matter how little we prepare for the future or no matter how careless we are with our money and our time? Did Noah just "trust in the Lord" and sit back waiting for the world wide flood ... or did he spend 100 years building an ark to be part of God's plan to survive the flood?

Should we as Christians "trust the Lord" to protect us from an evil society and just keep silent, never sharing the gospel, while society gets more immoral and more worldly or should we be a vital part of the "Great Commission" that God uses to not only bring sinners to repentance but also uses to keep the ungodly from becoming more ungodly by confronting sin in the world around us? Should Christians "trust the Lord" to rapture us out of this world before it becomes under God's judgment, while we just live our lives like everyone else, or should we be busy about our Master's work, making disciples and earnestly contending for the faith?

If we live in a part of the country where natural disasters are common such as tornadoes or hurricanes, should we simply "trust in the Lord" to protect us or should we have a safe room to hunker down in, or a well-thought out evacuation plan, or perhaps supplies to get ourselves and our families through hard times and shortages that are brought on by such disasters? Should we just "trust in the Lord", when in reality, if disaster strikes we will likely hunt down those people who prepared for disasters while we did not - so that we can take advantage of them to make up for our lack of preparedness?

When we hear news about coming economic problems in our country or even worldwide, should we just "trust the Lord" to get us through such hard times, or should we be wise stewards, setting aside ample non-perishable foods, medicines, and other very necessary items? Should we get ourselves into debt and just hope that we can continue to borrow money and use credit cards forever? If we pay off our mortgages and car loans quickly (or avoid such debts entirely) and if we minimize or totally avoid any credit card debt, are we guilty of not "trusting the Lord"... or are we simply being **good stewards** so that we can continue to provide for ourselves, our families, our local church and various Christian ministries? Are we "trusting the Lord" if we live paycheck to paycheck, while buying the latest smartphone and latest high-

definition TV, latest motor vehicle and most luxurious house? Are we trusting the Lord if we have no savings because we spend all our money on vacations, cruises, restaurants, lottery tickets, movie rentals, sports events, expensive hobbies and other forms of entertainment and self-gratification?

A look at some BLIND “trust the Lord” statements:

Here are some examples of **blind** trust statements regarding trusting the Lord.

Friend, inflation is really beginning to skyrocket and you seem to spend money faster than you earn it... Her response: Don't worry. I'm just going to trust the Lord.

Sir, can you really afford to buy a new car every year?... His response: Don't worry. I'm just going to trust the Lord.

Sister, should you really go out jogging alone at night in this neighborhood?... Her response: Don't worry. I'm just going to trust the Lord.

Brother, don't you think you should put air in that tire before you go on that long trip?... His response: Don't worry. I'm just going to trust the Lord.

Cousin, don't you think you should do some research before you let someone inject an experimental vaccine in your arm, especially given the fact that so little testing was done in it?... Her response: Don't worry. I'm just going to trust the Lord.

Neighbor, wouldn't it be a good idea to stock up on food, medicine and other necessities before the hurricane season hits?... His response: Don't worry. I'm just going to trust the Lord.

Auntie, with cyberattacks, major internet outages and phone network outages already on record, don't you think you should have some spare cash on hand and maybe a radio to help you out in such situations?... Her response: Don't worry. I'm just going to trust the Lord.

Friend, with inflation rapidly escalating, many banks shutting down, thousands of stores closing for good, and United States debt at 35 trillion dollars don't you think you should pay off your debts and safeguard your retirement income somehow?... His response: Don't worry. I'm just going to trust the Lord. - NOTE: You might want to click on the links above to see just how many banks and stores have closed down due to the downward spiraling US and global economies.

Summary:

Isn't it possible that we are actually ***sinning against the Lord*** by saying "I'm just going to trust the Lord" when God wants us to ***take responsibility for*** the future health, safety and well-being of ourselves and our families? Do we consider it to be too time consuming or too much work to live ***proactively***, when it is so much easier to go on living ***reactively***? Should our trust be "blind" or should it be based on reason and knowledge and upon our obedience to biblical principles including "prudence" (wisdom with respect to caution, discretion, carefulness and even stewardship of our available resources)?— *RM Kane*

*"The simple inherit folly: but the **prudent** are crowned with knowledge."
Proverbs 14:18*
