TRUTH Proverbs

The Benefits of Trusting God



MEMORY VERSE: Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek His will in all you do, and He will direct your paths. Proverbs 3:5,6



Proverbs 3:1-10 — Choosing to Trust God

- A sign that we trust God is that we choose to do what He says. What choices lead to what benefits in the following verses?
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 - 5-6
 - 7-8
 - 9-10
- 2. Why do you think we tend to forget the things God has taught us (vv. 1-2)?

3. Why do you think loyalty and kindness (vv. 3-4) get away from us at times? 4. Why might we trust in our own understanding instead of God's (vv. 5-6)? 5. Are you ever impressed with your own wisdom (vv. 7-8)? Why is it implied that this is "evil," depriving us of health and vitality? 6. Why is it easy to fail to honor the Lord with our wealth and our very best (9-10)? Proverbs 3:11-26 — Happiness Is A Benefit of Trusting God 7. How should we view God's discipline? vv. 11-12 Psalm 119:71 2 Corinthians 12:6-10 Hebrews 12:5-10 8. How do you think God disciplines us? 9. Can you think of a difficult time in your life that God used to discipline you?

10. While sin and foolishness lead to destruction, what are the benefits of wisdom according to the following verses?
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11. Do these verses promise an easy life to the one who chooses wisdom? If not, what do you think these verses mean?
12. What do verses 19-20 teach about wisdom? Why is this important?
13. What additional areas of life are impacted when we choose to trust God and hang on to His ways?
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14. Which of these do you especially need today?



Proverbs 3:27-35 — Relational Benefits from Trusting God

- 15. What does God admonish us not to do? vv. 27-31
- 16. Why are these admonitions so important? vv. 32-33
- 17. What is the truth about how God deals with people? vv. 34-35
- 18. Is there any specific way you are challenged or encouraged to trust God and obey Him more so you can reap the promised benefits?

WALK IN TRUTH



Sometimes our human reasoning makes perfect sense to us, but if we rely on our own thoughts, instead of trusting God, we will miss out on His blessing. If we want to experience the benefits God has for us, we must trust Him and do things His way. Take these verses from Isaiah to heart and you will reap the benefits, no matter how difficult life can be at any given time, For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. Isaiah 55:8-9