

Monday, 28 November 2016

*Psalms 32:10*

*Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.*

If the steadfast love of the LORD never ceases (Lamentations 3:22) then what does this verse tell me about trust? I think it implies that my trust must be steadfast also. I am beginning to realize (slowly) that the concepts of belief, trust, faith, commitment, obedience are binary--that is they either do or do not exist.

The distraught father (Mark 9:24) did not cry "I believe, help my weak belief" but "I believe, help my unbelief." He recognized that his trust in the power of Jesus to heal his son was complete and sufficient.

LORD, help me with my unbelief.

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Tuesday, 29 November 2016

*Psalms 33:21*

*For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.*

I find it easier to trust in the transitory, rather than in the transcendent. Far easier to trust God to provide funds to pay my mortgage than to trust in His goodness. Yet it is that trust in the numinous that evokes the gladness of heart.

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Wednesday, 30 November 2016

*Psalms 37:3-4*

*Trust in the LORD, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness. Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.*

Trust in the LORD and do good. So trusting in the LORD enables me to live as He would have me live in the here and now of the Kingdom. It is the catalyst that brings His will to earth as it is in Heaven. It is the shaper that conforms my will to His will enabling the

granting of the desires of my heart.

Heady stuff, this trusting in the LORD.

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Thursday, 1 December 2016

*Psalms 37:5*

*Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act.*

Commit and trust. What a powerful combination. He will act! To think that the Logos, the Son of the Living God, the LORD, God the Almighty, the Creator of Heaven and earth, the One who controls all things, is ready, has promised to act in my behalf.

LORD, continue to shape me into Your image.

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Friday, 2 December 2016

*Psalms 40:1-3*

***To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David. I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry. He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.***

When the LORD acts on my behalf, when He hears my cry, I am lifted out of the slimy, filthy, loathsome mess that was my life and I am set upon the Rock. I have been redeemed and am called to a life that is a song of praise so that others will be brought into a life of trust in the LORD.

Hallelujah.

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Saturday, 3 December 2016

*Psalms 40:4*

***Blessed is the man who makes the LORD his trust, who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie!***

LORD, help and guard me. Yes, I know that if I resist the Evil One, he will flee from me, but he keeps trying again and again. The temptation is ever there to turn to

the ways of the world, or to take up my own solutions rather than wait on You. Impatience, impatience, impatience, your name is John.

Continue to teach me that Your will and way is far better than anything I can imagine on my own. Trust in the LORD and He will give you the desires of your heart.

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*Lord's Day, 4 December 2016*

*Psalm 119:41-42*

*Let your steadfast love come to me, O LORD, your salvation according to your promise; then shall I have an answer for him who taunts me, for I trust in your word.*

Lord, help me to remember when I am in these situations, that You have promised to keep me covered in Your steadfast love; that Your salvation includes delivery from my enemies and those who wish me harm. Praise You, my Lord.

# *VOICES TOGETHER*

*Daily Meditations from the Scriptures*



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I was dealing with a very difficult and perplexing problem in the spring of 1989 and tackling it by trying to learn everything I could on the subject. One evening, as I continued my studies, God told me very clearly that the root of the problem was that I did not know Him. I put down the book I was reading and picked up a Bible figuring that was where I was going to find Him. That began what has been a 27-year search to know, really know in a John 17:3 way, the Lord, God the Almighty.\*

Voices Together has and continues to be, a very important part of that search. It is extracted from my daily meditations and is shared in the hope that others will be encouraged to turn to the Scriptures as a rich source of guidance for prayer and meditation.

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\*LORD or LORD, God the Almighty always refers to the Trinitarian God.