

Text: Psalm 118

“IT IS BETTER TO TRUST IN THE LORD THAN TO PUT CONFIDENCE IN MAN”

(I) CONFIDENCE IN MAN

1. Natural tendency

- a) Trusting in man
- b) Trusting in princes (**Psalm 118:9**)

2. Danger of trusting in man

(King David's example)

- a) Trusting in a companion (**Psalm 55:13**)
- b) A man my equal (**Psalm 55:13**)
- c) Walked together (**Psalm 55:14**)

(II) CHALLENGE TO TRUST IN GOD

- 1. Because of answered prayer (**Psalm 118:5, 21**)
- 2. Because the Lord is on our side (**Psalm 118:6**)
- 3. Because the Lord is our proven help (**Psalm 118:13**)
- 4. Because the Lord gives strength (**Psalm 118:14**)
- 5. Because the Lord gives songs (**Psalm 118:14**)
- 6. Because the Lord gives salvation (**Psalm 118:14**)
- 7. Because the Lord gives victory (**Psalm 118:15-16**)

(III) PAINFUL LESSONS LEARNED ALONG THE WAY

- 1. The Lord chastens (**Psalm 118:18**)
- 2. The Lord delivers from death (**Psalm 118:18**)

(IV) DECLARATION OF TRUST IN GOD

- 1. You are my God (Psalm 118:28)**
- 2. Declaring the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 118:29)**
- 3. Praise for the mercy of the Lord (Psalm 119:29)**
- 4. Praise will be given to the Lord (Psalm 118:28)**