



Scripture nugget - Trust in God – the only fount we can drink from

Do not fear: I am with you; do not be anxious: I am your God. I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with My victorious right hand (Isaiah 41:10).

God is the only Person Who has the power to keep His promises. We can only trust a person who can keep his promises. No one except God can keep His promises in an absolute and unconditional way. Nothing can stop God as there is no power higher than His. *Jesus looked at them and said: For human beings this is impossible, but **for God all things are possible** (Matthew 19:26). [The angel said]: for **nothing will be impossible for God** (Luke 1:37).* We should know all the important promises God made to us, and lay claim to them especially in times when we need them to provide us with supernatural strength to bend to His divine will in difficult situations. God's unchanging, sacrificial love and promise of eternal life of joy make the life of every person on earth, even the most disadvantaged, worth living and full of immortal hope. Every human heart needs to be loved, and we need hope in order to live. *For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life (John 3:16).* It is very important to know that God is not a distant spirit out of touch with us but One Who is always with us and concerns Himself with the smallest detail of our lives. *And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age (Matthew 28:20). Even all the hairs of your head are counted (Matthew 10:30).* All of God's promises are enshrined in Scripture which we should know.

Essentially, all trials and temptations that come our way are but tests of our trust in God.

Trust in God cannot grow overnight unless by a special intervention of God for Whom nothing is impossible. Trust in God is the beautiful fruit of faith in and love of God. The greater our faith in and love for God, the greater is our trust in God. A very great thing we can give God is our freewill or our trust which is basically the same thing looked at from a different angle. Those souls who wish to join God in heaven after this earthly life must demonstrate their trust in God, taking advantage of all the graces God provides in every present moment. When we make a firm decision to place our trust in God, our hearts are open to receive His graces. Thus, a difficult situation can be overcome as God's power coming in His graces strengthen us supernaturally to do what God wants us to do (cf. Philippians 4:13). Once we are able to trust in God, our lives will become more peaceful as we relinquish our human control over the situations that are outside our control. Once we let God be God and let Him take over, we will not fall prey to worry, anxiety or unholy fear. *With firm purpose You maintain peace; in peace, because of our trust in You (Isaiah 26:3).*

Conversation with Jesus: Precious Lord, You said to us: *I have told you this so that you might have peace in Me. In the world you will have trouble, but take courage, I have conquered the world (John 16:33).* Jesus, You came to the earth clothed in human flesh so that You can conquer the world on our behalf and offer us sinners all the graces needed to overcome any and all earthly obstacles on our way to our true home. Magnify my trust in You as I surrender to You my freewill to do whatever You wish with it so that I can become Your humble servant and remain obedient to the will of God. Mary, Mother of Salvation, pray for me. Thank You, Jesus. Praise You, Jesus.