

“Do We Really Trust God?”

Job 23-24

Intro: To be honest, our trust in God shows more at some times than others. But is a fair-weather trust really trust? Job’s trust of God was true, because he looked to God when his world fell apart.

I. Do we trust: when we don’t have the answers? (23:1-9)

- We might feel _____ (3, 8-9)
- We want to _____ why. (4-5)
- We don’t have all the answers _____:
But trusting means having _____ in God.

II. Do we trust: when things seem _____? (23:10-17)

- We _____ we’ve done right
- Yet we are _____ with suffering.
- We are _____:
But trusting means _____.

III. Do we trust: when it feels like it isn’t worth it?(24:1-25)

- Job saw the wicked _____ (1-16)
- Job _____ bad that he _____
instead of the wicked.
- But we don’t live on _____
- We live on _____
- We may not always feel like things are right:
But trusting means _____ for reward.
- Job knew the wicked’s end was coming (17-25)

Conclusion – It is hard to identify true trust, until that trust is put to the test. We need to strengthen our trust for the hard times that may come in our lives.

“Prepared For His Coming”

Matthew 25:1-13

Intro – The situation for this parable is Christ’s teaching that his kingdom can come at any time. Many will be caught unprepared for him to come and set up his kingdom.

I. There are 2 ways to _____ for Christ’s coming.

- A. _____ - Appear prepared
- B. _____ - Are prepared.

II. No one _____ when Christ will come.

- A. The foolish are always _____
- B. The wise are always _____

III. His coming will _____ all opportunity to prepare.

- A. The wise will _____ with Christ
- B. The foolish will _____ too late.

Conclusion – The Bible always shows us two ways to live. In this parable, Jesus makes it clear what are the consequences of being foolish in preparing for his return.

JOB

Intro:

- I. far from God, know, ever, confidence
- II. wrong, know, rewarded, troubled, obeying
- III. prospering, felt, suffered, feeling, knowing, waiting.

Conclusion:

Matthew

Intro:

- I. prepare, foolish, wise,
- II. knows, surprised, prepared
- III. end, go, believe

Conclusion: