



Talk It Over

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Four Ways to Know We Are Trusting God

1. The Way We Wait

⁴³ And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth; for I have hoped in thy judgments. **Psalm 119:43 (KJV)**

- A. How do you wait on God? What word is in your mouth as you wait for God's timing? Doubt, bitterness, anger?
- B. When we are truly trusting God then our faith will demonstrate itself though our choice of words.
 - 1. How do you talk to one another?
 - 2. How do you talk about one another?
- C. What would you have said if you were:
 - 1. Noah pounding a nail?
 - 2. Joseph counting prison bars?
 - 3. Elijah traveling to another place far away?

They all keep their faith in spite of their circumstances. How do you keep/show your faithfulness when times are tough?

³¹ But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they shall walk, and not faint. **Isaiah 40:31 (KJV)**

2. The Way We Walk

³¹ Jesus answered them, "Do you finally believe?" ³² In fact, you're about to make a run for it—saving your own skins and abandoning me. But I'm not abandoned. The Father is with me. ³³

I've told you all this so that trusting me, you will be unshakable and assured, deeply at peace. In this godless world you will continue to experience difficulties. But take heart! I've conquered the world."
John 16:31-33 (MSG)

- A. Waiting is not meant to be a time we do nothing. (Doctor's waiting room) How do you feel when you have to wait?
- B. Every moment is a preparation for the next in God's plan. How do you prepare? When we don't see the big picture then we don't understand the small parts. Faith means leaving the big picture as God's concern. My part is?

3. The Way We Witness

⁴⁶ I will speak of thy testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed. **Psalm 119:46 (KJV)**

- A. Who does this verse remind you of in the Bible? Paul/ Daniel/ Nehemiah/ Joseph/ Esther.
- B. Who do you see in our day like this? Willing to tell it like it is, take a stand regardless of the cost?
- C. What is your testimony? What you have done? Speak of YOUR testimonies!

4. The Way We Worship

⁴⁷ And I will delight myself in thy commandments, which I have loved. ⁴⁸ My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved; and I will meditate in thy statutes. **Psalm 119:47-48 (KJV)**

- A. How long is the list of the things that you really get excited about? Family, NFL football, favorite show, tax rebate? Where is knowing God's will on that list?
- B. To delight is to have an intense emotion towards something. How does your delight in the things and commands of God express itself as you ...
 - 1. worship on the inside
 - 2. worship on the outside