

Who Do You Trust?

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One of the most difficult aspects of life is remaining patient in the midst of crisis. As a type A, I am a problem solver; I fix things, and to some extent I am good at it. How can I stand still when all hell is breaking loose around me? I am a fighter by nature.

As only the Lord can do, I began to run into circumstance after circumstance that I could do nothing about. Try as I might, all effort failed. What is the brick wall I have run into? What, or better said, "Who is opposing me?" I took great stock in my own ability to work through great challenges, yet for unexplained reasons, I now faced a period in life in which I couldn't beat myself out of a wet paper sack. Was this some kind of curse?

Bedazzled, I took to my Bible; and there I found answers. Ironically, I just so happened to open it to the very scripture that stated "God resist the proud, but gives grace to the humble." What was God saying to me through these scriptures? It took me years to understand the profoundness of these words, and the fullness of their meaning. But I have it now; a treasure more valuable than gold.

You see, what I discovered is God wanted me to let Him be my problem solver; let Him show me the way to go. And in the due process of learning this, I found out that I can turn my burdens over to Him. One hundred percent of the time He will either solve the problem or show me how to. The key issue for me became who am I depending on - me or God? In learning 'how to depend upon God,' I have gained a most valuable treasure - A God who loves to help His people. All He ask of us is the willingness to truly trust, and a heart willing to trust something other than ourselves.

At this stage of life, I am not free of burdens, but I am free of carrying them. I have found a treasure more valuable than gold - A God who cares!

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