



Lesson 114 Trust and Faith

12/04/12 CT – Trust and faith, if you believe. You know that I AM holy and pure. You know that I want the best for you. You can trust and have faith in this. My motives are never impure or selfish. I always want the best for you. Seek me out, allow me to lead, allow me to guide you to health and happiness. Allow me to guide you to safety and security. Never doubt my capabilities. Never doubt my possibilities. Always believe, always trust, always seek me out. Intimacy, relationship, and trust builds on our time spent together. Always keep me close at hand realizing that I AM always with you. There is success in this, building blocks upon building blocks.

In this lesson we will be focusing on trusting the Lord. We will be focusing on believing in Him. That's what it takes, you know, believing in Him. You see when I trust someone I place my confidence in them. I believe I can rely on that person. They have integrity and strengths that I know I can count on. I even place my hopes in them. This type of relationship builds over time. That's correct, you have to spend time together, for trust to build. It does not happen over night. This is because in life we have to learn to trust a person. At first, we are cautious, we don't count on too much right off the bat.

Consequently, trust initially involves taking a chance, learning what motivates a person. Are they selfish or greedy? Are they hateful or full of pride? Or are they kind and compassionate? Do they have a loving spirit? We take the first little steps of learning who they are, by spending time with them; and then we slowly progress to bigger steps, as integrity and confidence is established. You have to "test the water" so to speak. Basically, you have to make sure that you can entrust this person with your valuables, whether it be the truth, your dreams or your life. No matter what the valuable is you still want to make sure that they will guard it from harm. You want to make sure that they appreciate and understand, the value you place in this as well.

This trust we are talking about is important in life. It is important because it is such an integral part of our relationships. It is important because we all need at least one true friend we can trust to be honest and supportive, to be loving and compassionate, and to be pure in all that motivates them. And this, this is what we are learning in the Lord. We are learning to wholly trust Him. We are walking through this process with Him. We are putting the pieces together. We are placing one building block of trust upon the next, building success. We are building the knowledge that He is always with us, leading, guiding, and protecting us in the here and now. We are learning that He is holy and pure and we are learning that He only wants the best for us. This we are learning in Him.

Trust and Faith

Proverbs 3:5-6 *Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.*

This is one of my favorite verses from the bible. It speaks of trusting the Lord enough to allow Him to lead you. And Jesus spoke of trusting the Lord as well. He told us not to worry about what we would eat or drink or even wear because the Lord is aware of and provides for these needs (Luke 12:22-32). Therefore trust seems to imply confidence doesn't it?

In the dictionary trust is defined as **to rely upon or place confidence in someone or something, to have confidence in, to rely or depend upon**. Hence, we can gather the importance of trust merely from its definition as it relates to reliance and dependability. But as important as trust is, faith it seems, is equally important. We can say this because the Lord linked them together in the words He gave this week. He said, **Trust and faith, if you believe**. In this instance I believe the Lord linked them together because in reality the definition for faith is actually very similar to that of trust. In fact, trust is included in the definition of faith. Faith, you see, is defined as **confidence or trust in a person or thing, belief that is not based on proof**. Jesus taught us of this very same confidence didn't He? I think we can all agree that He taught us about trust and faith in many different ways. One example came through the story of the woman who had a flow of blood for years.

Mark 5:25-34 *Now a certain woman had a flow of blood for twelve years, and had suffered many things from many physicians. She had spent all that she had and was no better, but rather grew worse. When she heard about Jesus, she came behind Him in the crowd and touched His garment. For she said, "If only I may touch His clothes, I shall be made well." Immediately, the fountain of her blood was dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of the affliction. And Jesus immediately knowing in Himself that power had gone out of Him, turned around in the crowd and said, "Who touched My clothes?" But His disciples said to Him, "You see the multitude thronging You, and You say, 'Who touched Me?'" And He looked around to see her who had done this thing. But the woman, fearing and trembling, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell down before Him and told Him the whole truth. And He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace, and be healed of your affliction."*

This woman had confidence in the Lord. She relied and she depended upon Him even though she had no proof beforehand that a healing would take place. Therefore we can conclude that she trusted and that she had faith in our God Jesus. However, hers is not the only example of faith. There are many other examples of faith as seen in the bible, here are just a few as listed in the book of Hebrews.

Hebrews 11:1-12 *Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good testimony. By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible. By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and through it he being dead still speaks. By faith Enoch was taken away so that he did not see death, "and was not found, because God had taken him"; for before he was taken he had this testimony, that he pleased God. **But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.***

By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he dwelt

in the land of promise as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise; for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

By faith Sarah herself also received strength to conceive seed, and she bore a child when she was past the age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born as many as the stars of the sky in multitude--innumerable as the sand which is by the seashore...

These are some pretty powerful examples of trust and faith aren't they! But Jesus' example of trust and faith is a gift indeed and this is because His trust and faith led Him to the cross. He gave us the ultimate demonstration of trust and faith. Jesus' example was such that even as He was hanging upon the cross others spoke of the faith they had seen in Him. They spoke of it derisively, yet they still acknowledged it.

Matthew 27:38-43 *Then two robbers were crucified with Him, one on the right and another on the left. And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads and saying, "You will destroy the temple and build it in three days, save Yourself! If You are the Son of God, come down from the cross." Likewise the chief priests also, mocking with the scribes and elders said, "He saved others; Himself He cannot save. If He is the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe Him. **He trusted in God:** let Him deliver Him now if He will have Him; for He said, 'I am the Son of God.'"*

Yes, Jesus lived His life in such a way that His faith, His trust was seen. We are to live this same way.

Hebrews 12:1-2 *Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.*

Jesus had confidence in the Lord. His trust and faith endured to the end. His trust and faith endured past the blasphemy, the mocking, the head wagging, it even endured, the cross. We, likewise, are to have this same faith, the same trust, as was found in the Lord. This is the first building block He is teaching us about today as evidenced through these words,

12/02/12 BN - Have faith and believe. This will shine through to others and be a testament to Me.

12/03/12 BT - This is the way it must be. It may not seem to make sense in your mind but it must still be this way all the same. Man is unable to see from his vantage point the whole picture. You must trust Me like a little child trusts his father. You must believe. Your faith and obedience will take you through.

Love Me for I love you. Put your faith and trust in Me.

12/04/12 CT - Trust and faith, if you believe. Always believe, always trust...

Holy and Pure

The next part of this message, the second building block, the Lord delivered is this,

12/04/12 CT - You know that I AM holy and pure. You know that I want the best for you. You can trust and have faith in this. My motives are never impure or selfish. I always want the best for you.

Deuteronomy 32:3-4 *For I proclaim the name of the LORD: Ascribe greatness to our God. He is the Rock. His work is perfect; for all His ways are justice. A God of truth and without injustice, righteous and upright is He.*

Psalm 18:30 *As for God, His way is perfect; the word of the LORD is proven; He is a shield to all who trust in Him.*

We can trust the Lord because He is perfect. There is no sin in the Lord. There is nothing unclean about the Lord. His ways are perfect because He is perfect. This is the understanding that He wants to establish within us. He wants us to trust Him because He is good, because He is holy and pure. These passages teach us about the Lord.

Matthew 5:48 *“Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect.”*

1 Peter 1:16 *because it is written, “Be holy, for I am holy.”*

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“The Lord your God is not a critical God but a God of absolute truth.” with the emphases on *“absolute.”* The Bible paints a picture of this absoluteness.

Therefore, from all of this we can gather that it is important to the Lord that we understand that His motives are always for the good. This is why He wants us to understand that He is holy and pure, that He is trustworthy and perfect, and that He is not critical. It is because He wants us to understand that our trust in Him will be well placed, well founded. He will always be there for us. He is dependable. He is reliable. We can have confidence in Him.

Allow Me to Guide

As the Lord leads us through these steps, placing one building block upon another we can see the picture that He is beginning to build for us. First He wants us to understand that we can trust Him. Second, He wants us to understand that He only wants the best for us. There is nothing underhanded about Him. He is upright, holy and pure. He can be trusted and as such we should seek Him out for guidance. And this is the third building block of this lesson. As evidenced by these words,

Seek me out, allow me to lead, allow me to guide you to health and happiness. Allow me to guide you to safety and security.

Psalm 32:8 *I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye.*

Psalm 37:3-9 *Trust in the LORD, and do good; dwell in the land, and feed on His faithfulness. Delight yourself also in the LORD, and He shall give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the LORD, Trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass. He shall bring forth your righteousness as the light, and your justice as the noonday. Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for Him; do not fret because of him who prospers in his way, because of the man who brings wicked schemes to pass. Cease*

from anger, and forsake wrath; do not fret-it only causes harm. For evildoers shall be cut off; but those who wait on the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.

John 16:13 *“However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.*

And we received this as well,

11/28/12 DP - I have warned you in advance, trust Me to lead and guide you every step of the way. Leave all to Me it is in My hands I will accomplish that that I have set forth to do.

11/29/12 MVA - Continue to seek guidance on all. Course corrections are given continually. Guidance continue to follow.

11/29/12 DP - Focus your mind know I AM guiding you.

11/30/12 BN - Look to Me for guidance, I will tell you what to do. I use dreams and visions...important to pay attention. Remember...things must be done legally. Walking down the road to righteousness, you and your family are on the path. There are many obstacles there that are placed there by satan. I have overcome the obstacles if you will trust in Me. Go along in faith loving and serving your Lord.

11/30/12 DP - Listen for instruction guidance is given at My will all who follow find life.

12/01/12 DP - I show you the way just follow My guidance.

12/01/12 BN - I AM not here to condemn or to make you uncomfortable but to provide guidance and instruction and lift you up.

12/02/12 MVA - Much has been revealed pieces filling in. Pictures forming. Each new piece discovered. Picture completing. Stay focused leading edge. Details. Hidden details discover. Revealed by your God Jesus. Time precious. Count cost. Prioritize. Lacking nothing. I will provide. Trust only doubt not. Continue forward momentum. I have instructions for each. Individuals. Individual attention. Revealed My timing the timing of your God Jesus. Listen intently. Hear your guidance. I Love you. Marvelous things are coming to pass. Stay attentive.

12/02/12 DP - Follow My guidance it will lead to the finish line.

12/02/12 BN - Sit silently waiting for instruction, Act not in your own spirit but always in My will, Seek Me out in all things and I will give you guidance.

12/02/12 SN - Simple instructions, Write them down, Write down what you hear, Many things are being shown you, Make sense of what there is, What I say must be made known.

12/03/12 DP - My child follow the road that has been prepared for your travel in Me. Single file corporate must be done together. Take My hand I lead you to victory I am the way. You must trust Me. I have great things prepared for those who love Me. I will reward diligence. Labor for Me. Take to heart all I have shared with you. Blessed you are, walk in favor granted by Me. Receive the guidance I have for you, follow all instructions that it may be well with you. Trust what you hear. A focused mind guided by Me your Lord and Savior. I will direct you need only follow.

12/03/12 BN - I AM not the great convictor...I AM the great redeemer...the savior of the world, Blessed are all those that follow Me for they have found the Father.

12/03/12 SN - Follow Me uphill, I will join you at the top face to face.

12/04/12 MVA - Following instruction. I AM a God of course corrections. Each person individual guidance. Mistakes will be made grace given. Receive grace, very good. Each individuals guidance is ongoing. Fine tune. Freewill requires much guidance and instruction from your God Jesus. Fine tuning your will becomes My will. The will of your God Jesus. Walking in unison with your God Jesus. Stay attentive on course.

12/04/12 BT - On the right path. Follow after Me not yourselves. Follow My protocols. Stay within the boundaries I have set forth.

12/04/12 DP - I am moving My people to a place of safety in Me, Relocate, this is being done for a purpose. I am guiding My saints into perfection, a purified people used by Me.

12/05/12 MVA - I AM guiding look and see the way. All pieces are being given. Assemble. Instruction and guidance. Match correctly. Bring together what is given. See with Spiritual eyes. Look not at the physical but Spiritual. Studious. Focus details. Life more abundant. Beautiful pictures have been drawn. Take in the beauty. See the details while looking at the entire. Champions are made in diligence. Your God Jesus champion maker. Follow in accordance to what you have been shown. Assemble correctly. See and do.

After reading these many words on guidance we can see that this third building block is a very important one that should not be neglected.

Always Believe

These first three building blocks are very powerful and for humans alone they would be impossible, yet with God all things are possible. This is an essential fact that the Lord has stressed this week and it is the fourth building block we will look at. The Lord said,

12/04/12 CT - Never doubt my capabilities. Never doubt my possibilities. Always believe, always trust, always seek me out.

And when we compare the above statement with these from the bible,

Genesis 18:14 *“Is anything too hard for the Lord.”*

Jeremiah 32:17 *‘Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. There is nothing too hard for You.’*

Matthew 19:26 *But Jesus looked at them and said to them, “With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”*

Luke 1:37 *“For with God nothings will be impossible.”*

When we compare these we realize there is nothing impossible for the Lord. He made the heavens and the earth. He makes all things possible. Consequently, our belief in Him should not be a stretch for us. And as we continue comparing His words we can add these statements as well.

12/01/12 DP – Life, I AM, embrace Me, in My fullness, trust Me to redeem you. There is nothing too hard for Me to do. Put your full faith in Me I will not fail you be assured. Rest assured, all is in My control, all according to plan.

12/02/12 BN - Have faith and believe, This will shine through to others and be a testament to Me.

12/03/12 BT - You must believe. Your faith and obedience will take you through. Love Me for I love you. Put your faith and trust in Me. I will not let you down.

12/04/12 CT - Always believe, always trust, always seek me out.

In **John 20:29** Jesus tells us *“Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”* The Lord is asking us to believe in Him. Can we do this?

Time Together

The final building block that we will review for this lesson is that of time spent together. If you recall from the introductory statements to this lesson we talked about how relationships are built over time. You will never get to know someone if you do not spend any time with them. A similar question is asked in this,

Romans 10:14-17 *How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written:*

“How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!”

But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed our report?” So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

No relationship can be built if we do not believe in it. No relationship can be built without time spent together whether talking or listening! Jesus said that we should,

Matthew 6:33 *“But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.”*

Logically, we must come to understand that you cannot seek unless you are working at it, unless you are spending time working towards it. Therefore, the sheer act of seeking involves spending time with Him. Jesus said we should seek this relationship first. And the Lord added these thoughts:

12/02/12 DP - *Stay focused see the bigger picture much is at stake trust Me to be with you in your goings in and coming out. I lead a victorious people.*

12/02/12 BN - *Keep spending more time with Me and less time on other things.*

12/02/12 SN - *Walk with Me another day, Will you join Me, I care for you, Will you hear Me, Let Me come in, Now is the time. Come together frequently.*

12/03/12 SN - *I will join you at the top face to face. Yes...this time is for us.*

12/03/12 CN - *Be with Me, I love you very very much, Love Me.*

He summed this up beautifully in this,

12/04/12 CT - *Intimacy, relationship, and trust builds on our time spent together. Always keep me close at hand realizing that I AM always with you. There is success in this, building blocks upon building blocks.*

Summation

This week when the Lord gave me the words that the lesson was built from He put a picture in my mind of building blocks. One block was laid out and then another was placed beside or upon it. This process would keep going, one block after another, was laid down until the picture the Lord had painted appeared before you.

The Lord laid out five building blocks in this lesson. They were as follows:

First, Trust in the Lord, have Faith in Him
Second, He is Holy and Pure, you can trust Him
Third, He offers you guidance that you can trust
Fourth, Believe in Him, He only wants the best for you
Fifth, Spend Time With Him, He is always with you

Therefore, let's close by reviewing the words once again to see exactly how the Lord placed these building blocks together.

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May the Lord Bless You,
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