Trust is Faith **OR** believing.

TRUST firm belief in the reliability, truth, ability, or strength of someone or something **FAITH** complete trust or confidence in someone or something

BELIEVE something of someone)

A good example is 1Kings 17:8 to 16 where Elijah went to Zarephath and the widow women believed Elijah and the little oil and flower Never ran out

Or 2kings 4:2 to 7 where Elisha told the widow women to borrow all kinds of vessels and pour out the little vessel of oil she had left and fill all the other containers, then sell the oil and she'd have enough money for her and her family to live off of. Or Hebrews 11: 1 to 13 this is all about the patriots that trusted God and **HIS WORD.**

<u>Luke 18:8</u>* Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he <u>find faith</u> on the earth? The way things are going -- very little.

In todays world, a mans word don't mean much, for example they say I'll be there at 4 o'clock, and your lucky if they show up at 4:30. I had a friend that wanted to buy a car off of me, he pestered me for over a year. I finally consented and we agreed on a price (which I discounted because he was a friend) we shook hands on it, and on the day it was to be delivered he phoned and said he changed his mind, to which he has every right to. But I will never trust his word again, but you see the average person has no commitment behind their word. Marriage vows mean nothing today, the biggest part of Christians today (and this includes preachers) figure it's no big deal if you don't keep your word (after all you were just talking), in other words they do not think of what they're saying.

God doesn't agree, <u>Matthew 12:37</u>* For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

When I was a teen ager I said I was going to be a jack of all trades and good at whatever I was doing, and thats exactly what my life is, so far.

When I was 16, I new a man that was 48 and he had made enough money that he could retire. I said to my three friends I was with, you just wait and see, I'll be retired at 48 as well. This just popped into my head, so I said it not thinking it would actually happen. **BUT IT DID**Not because I could afford it, but because of a neurological problem that effected my muscle control. Boy, you talk about STRESS, I had it BIG TIME. I had bills to pay and I couldn't work, as I was telling the Lord all this a scripture popped into my head, **BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD** (Ps 46:10). To this I said, I know that you are God, but your word says that if a man don't work, neither shall he eat (2Th 3:10).

Be still and know that I am God would come into my mind multiple times day and night, this went on for about four months. **AND THEN,** my lightning fast mind, finally clued in. **AND THEN I** said, OK Lord, I get it, you're trying to tell me not to worry and to **TRUST** you. So I said OK Lord, I leave this with you and refuse to worry anymore. Man did I ever learn a lesson, the peace of God flooded my soul and when worry came to me after, it only lasted long enough to tell Jesus. And now 33 years later, I have no worry at all, The Lord is my **GOD**, the **SUPPLIER of my NEEDS,** my **DOCTOR,** my **LAWYER,** my **COMFORTER** and

my BEST FRIEND.

He had worked things out **YEARS** before so that the mortgage insurance (I didn't know I had) reimbursed me my payments with interest, plus I had disability insurance from my job, that paid 75% of my wages until I was 65. So you see, IS IT BETTER TO TRUST GOD or the what ifs. The what ifs are the gods of this world. You know, wear this or take that or you may come down with, what if.

THE WHAT IFS - DO NOT believe in God , or do not reverence him, nor acknowledge him and definitely do not love him.

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