

Trust
Gen 12:1-4
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Thesis: I want to remind us about real trust and where it should be placed.

Intro: 1. Is it hard to find people to trust today?
2. How do you know who you can trust?

I. What is Trust?

A. Confidence

1. **Trust is being able to rely on someone or something with confidence or full assurance.**
2. **Trust without fear, which brings us to our next definition of trust.**

B. Free from doubt

1. Trust is having no doubt
2. Trust is having no fear (**Ps 56:11**)

II. Who is worthy of Trust?

A. Is Man?

1. What does the Bible say about trusting man? (**Ps 146:3**)
2. A man who thinks he knows best. Thinks

B. Is God?

1. Consider **Psalm 40:4**
2. Jeremiah **17:7-10** – God is fair and unbiased, He is worthy of our trust

III. Lessons for Us Today

A. God can be trusted.

1. Noah's trust of God moved Him to obedience (**Gen 6:22**)
2. Abraham trust God so he moved not knowing where He would be going (**Gen 12:1**).

B. It is foolish to trust in man.

1. **Isaiah 36:6-8**
 - b. No one humbles like God those who foolishly trust in man (**Isa 37:23,28-29**)
2. **Proverbs 14:12**

Application & Conclusion:

1. The Psalmist makes it clear (**Ps 118:8**)
2. Trust is not an easy thing to earn or keep. However, God should have our trust.
 - a. No one is worthy to be trusted more than Him.
3. Full Invitation

Non-Christians must:

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Luke 13:2-3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11-12, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4
Live faithfully – John 14:15, Rev 2:10

Christians must:

Repent & Pray: James 5:16, 1 John 1:9