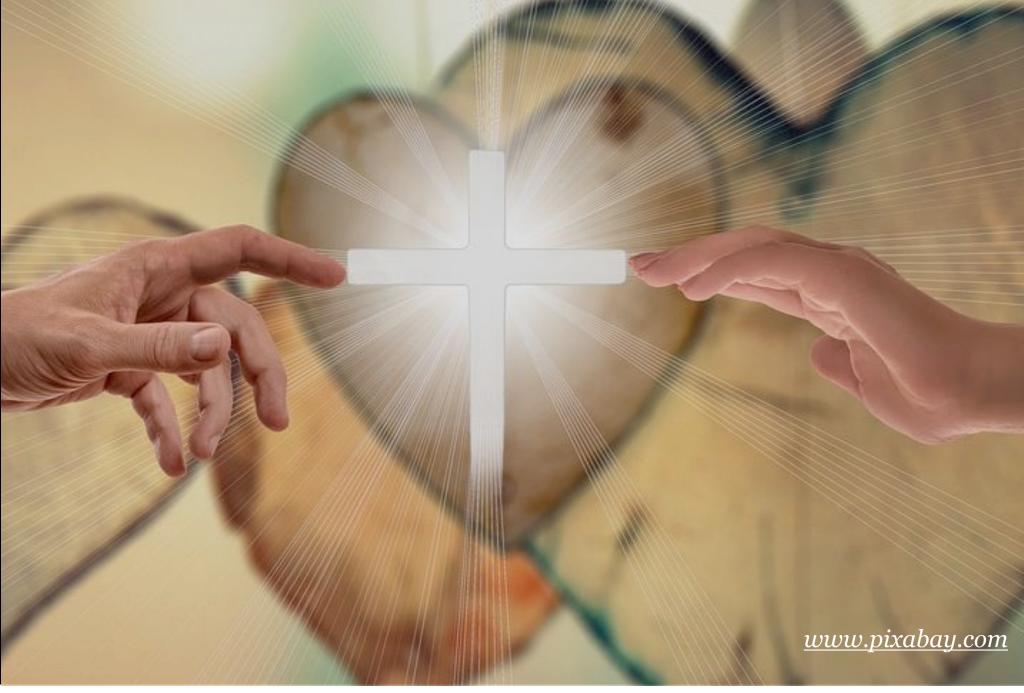




From the desk of your friend in Christ Jesus,





## TRUST

The ultimate commitment.

Celebrate God.

"Let not your heart be troubled; TRUST in God, TRUST also in Me."

(John 14:1 DLT emphasis mine)



TRUST IS NOT ALWAYS HARD...

but it is often uncomfortable.

Have you ever heard someone say, "I wish I could just let go."? Or a Christian who says, "I have faith in God but..." Then there are the others who say, "Keep tight reins. Don't give in. It's up to you. You just haven't given it your all. Try harder."

Get real, where does TRUST fit in a world so complicated it almost takes a Bachelors Degree in Accounting to navigate your personal finances. Then too, let the rational mind take over and you have to address questions like, TRUST in what, who, when, how, why and most of all, for what?

Alas, someone like myself comes along and suggests some mischievous solution to which a three-year-old would look askance by saying, 'TRUST Jesus. He has it all under control'.

Say what!

The potential consequences of TRUSTing another is all too familiar. Daily you, to some degree, TRUST your parentage, partner, farmer, grocery clerk, doctor, pharmacist, water-sewer-electrical technician, and with reserve politicians. Oh, and it is because of these people's failings that you consume antacids.

In a world system created by humans who consume other humans, like some unhidden tax, we honestly think the only way to live is to TRUST 'not trusting'. This dis-TRUST walks through our doors offering help, from clinic to cathedral. Along with the mantra deeply ingrained, "do it your way", Every other way is implied to be an unworkable a myth at best, and not really that entertaining.



Any rational person just gets down to living, hoping to experience more good times than bad, and then receive a salvation that is nothing more than 'lights out', nothing else. If there were a Biblical scripture they would quote, it would be...

"Yet the fool multiplies words. No man knows what will happen, and who can tell him what will come after him?" (Ecclesiastes 10:14 NAS77)

And with that, we are faced with an existential dilemma and its demand for a leap. If there is a GOD who loves us and says He promises the best is yet to come, we might as well TRUST Him. If there is a human in history who says the same and proves it by his actions, we might as well TRUST him.

## But there is more.

He promises this love giving life right now, here, through you to others. Does He promise to do it your way? NO! Now we have an opportunity to TRUST you can do live His.