

Trust Means Joy

by C.H. Spurgeon

Faith in God's holy name produces joy, and those who trust Him will rejoice in Him.

Scripture: Psalm 33:21, Proverbs 3:5, Isaiah 26:3, Romans 15:13, Philippians 4:4

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Description

C.H. Spurgeon emphasizes that true joy stems from trusting in God, as expressed in Psalms 33:21. He explains that while initial sadness may cloud our hearts, genuine faith ultimately leads to joy as God fulfills His promises. Spurgeon encourages believers to meditate on God's holy name, which embodies His character of holiness, justice, and faithfulness, fostering deeper trust and joy. He reassures that even in moments of doubt, trusting in the Lord will yield joy in due time, as He is always present and provides for our needs. The sermon concludes with the affirmation that those who know and trust in God's name will find true rejoicing in Him.

Transcript

For our heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in his holy name. (Psalm 33:21)

The root of faith produces the flower of heart-joy. We may not at the first rejoice, but it comes in due time. We trust the Lord when we are sad, and in due season He so answers our confidence that our faith turns to fruition, and we rejoice in the Lord. Doubt breeds distress, but trust means joy in the long run.

The assurance expressed by the psalmist in this verse is really a promise held out in the hands of holy confidence. Oh, for grace to appropriate it. If we do not rejoice at this moment, yet we shall do so, as surely as David's God is our God.

Let us meditate upon the Lord's holy name that we may trust Him the better and rejoice the more readily. He is in character holy, just, true, gracious, faithful, and unchanging. Is not such a God to be trusted? He is all wise, almighty, and everywhere present; can we not cheerfully rely upon Him? Yes, we will do so at once and do so without reserve. Jehovah-Jireh will provide; Jehovah-Shalom will send peace; Jehovah-Tsidkenu will justify; Jehovah-Shammah will be forever near; and in Jehovah-Nissi we will conquer every foe. They that know Thy name will trust Thee; and they that trust Thee will rejoice in Thee, O Lord.

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