

Only God All the Time

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The sermon emphasizes the necessity of trusting in God alone for help and guidance at all times, regardless of circumstances.

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Scripture: Psalm 62:5

Topics: "Glory Of God"

Description

In this sermon, the preacher emphasizes the importance of relying on God alone in every situation. He shares personal experiences of being in desperate situations where he was tempted to look for solutions elsewhere, but ultimately realized that God is the answer. The preacher also highlights the fact that preaching a sermon or having sermon notes does not guarantee success, as only God can bring the blessing. He encourages the congregation to shift their focus from worldly things and instead trust in God completely. The sermon concludes with a prayer for the congregation to keep their eyes on God and trust Him at all times.

Transcript

This is from Psalm 62. I depend on God alone. I put my hope in Him.

He alone protects and saves me. He is my defender and I shall never be defeated. My salvation and honor depend on God.

He is my strong protector. He is my shelter. Trust in God at all times, my people.

Tell Him all your troubles, for He is our refuge. Oh, those are some good verses, aren't they? As the psalmist is talking about his faith in God and his prayer life, really, he mentions two things there. I don't know if you picked them up.

He says at the beginning that God alone is my help. God alone is my protector. God alone is this.

God alone is that. My help comes from God alone. One of the problems we have, which let's get rid of it tonight, and for some of you that are facing things and you haven't had the breakthrough that you need yet in prayer, possibly this is the problem.

I know it's been with me. You can't ever look at the human instrument or what logically seems to be the answer. You only can look at God alone.

Do you get what I'm talking about? You can't say, God, you know what? I know that boss is going to just give me that raise or I know this friend promised that and my uncle said that he would do this or whatever it is. It is so easy to look at the arm of flesh, even good flesh in the sense of people who love you, and you take your eyes off of God. Your future security has nothing to do with your pension plan.

God is your pension plan. Can we say amen to that? It has nothing to do how much you have in the bank. That degree that you just earned and now you say, now I got the degree.

Your degree is not what you need. God is what you need. Trust in God alone.

God is my only help. How many times in life I've been in situations where sometimes it's desperate. You know it's God or nothing.

But sometimes you're in a situation where the answer is just over here and if it could move just six feet this way, you know that you could get out of the scrape you're in. And the next thing you know is you're looking at that thing and trying to get it to come to you rather than looking up and saying, God, that's not the answer. You are the answer.

You are the answer. Preachers have this with sermon notes or they preach a sermon and maybe God blesses it. And they said, wow, God gave me a good sermon.

And then they go out to preach again and they say, oh, I know this sermon works. Nothing works. You could preach the same sermon and put everyone to sleep.

Only God brings the blessing. Can we just put our hands together and say amen to that? God brings the blessing. God brings the blessing.

I've shared it with you before, but it's happened in different ways at different times. Sometimes it's like a possible deal or a blessing could be coming and you take your eyes off of the giver and you look at the possible gift that's heading at your way. But one time years ago, but it was in this building.

We were so backed up against the wall. All the work had not been finished here. And I didn't know where the money was going to come from.

Oh, Lord, I think of those days. And I had had some desperate moments where there was no hope. There was nothing but God.

And that's the best place to be when there's nothing but God. Well, right at that time, somebody called me and said, brother, you can't believe. I love your church.

I'm interested in your church. I'm bringing all the way from Chicago a friend of mine. He's worth over \$800 million.

He's worth over \$800 million. And you know what? He's a giver. And I'm going, thank you, Jesus.

So he came to the church and he sat right over there in about the sixth or seventh row. And I knew that just what did we need then? Whatever, \$400,000, whatever the need was. And I was sitting right over

there.

And I was thinking about him. And my mind was on him. How great thou art.

And oh, the Lord gave me the spanking of my life. It's happened to me one other time since then in a different situation. Are you looking to him? Or are you looking to me? I can get you what you need through him or without him.

But get your eyes off of him. Listen, this is for someone here tonight. Get your eyes off that woman or man or relative or job or education.

Thank God for it. But get your eyes totally on God. Come on.

My hope comes from God alone. God alone. Only God.

All the time God. Have we ever made that mistake? Do you relate to me? Lift your hand if you've ever taken your eyes off the Lord. And you're looking, you know.

Sister, listen to me. Don't go out of your way to try to draw that guide to you because you're lonely and you need a husband. God will supply the husband that he has for you.

Because you could end up blowing up your life and you don't know it. Trust in God alone. Don't try to maneuver it yourself.

Here's what the psalmist says also there. Trust in the Lord at all times. Trust in the Lord at all times.

Now why would he say that? Because we're all made this way. Sometimes we trust the Lord and then other times we don't trust the Lord. Sometimes we have a situation and we bring it to the Lord.

Oh boy, God, I know you're there. God, I trust you. I know that you're there.

And then for some reason, I don't know the way we're made or moods we go through in life or the swing of a spiritual pendulum. Other times things come to us. We worry, we fret, we get anxiety about it.

We do crazy things. We complain, we get depressed. Trust in God at all times.

Don't trust in God on Monday and Tuesday. Trust in God on Wednesday and Thursday. Don't trust in God when you're in your 20s.

Trust in God all throughout your whole life. The psalmist anointed by the Holy Spirit, he says trust in God all the time. Not some time, all the time.

Haven't we all gone through that? You trust God for some things and then other things you find yourself caring them, worrying, fretting about it. And you know, it's like, what, the God who helped you in the past, he won't do it again? He's gonna do it again. Trust in the Lord at all times.

It is amazing that we can take our eyes off of God and look for the blessing and then what we can do is look to God at some times but then for some other situations we can take our eyes off of God. Oh my goodness, have I done that? Why do I do that? I've seen God do so many things in my life. Why is it sometimes I find it harder to trust him? And have you ever found this out? Maybe someone's going through something like this.

When there's a big mountain in front of you and you know you don't have a chance, it's help me Jesus. But when it's just a little hill, you don't go to God in desperation. You say, I can handle this myself.

You can't handle anything by yourself. You gotta trust in God at all times. The little things, the big things, the in-between things, trust in God at all times.

My help comes from God alone. But if you're here tonight and your eyes are not on God but you think something else can get you out of it or through it, God is the one you have to look to. What did Joseph say? He say, but God, we don't know what to do, but our eyes are upon you.

Not are there enough horses? You got enough guys here? Listen, use the horses, use the soldiers, but our eyes are upon you. You have an education, you have some money, you have a job, praise God for that, but my eyes are upon you. And not just sometime.

If you got a problem here today that you're carrying yourself, trust in God at all times. Don't stop trusting now. Trust in God.

Because when you don't trust him, you end up carrying things that you never meant to carry. Let's close our eyes together. If you're here tonight and you say, Pastor, that little five-minute word of encouragement was for me, I've taken my eyes off the Lord and I'm trying to figure out how I can do it or how she can help me or he can help me.

You see, it's the government or if the economy which... Listen, God alone is my help. You get up out of your seat and say, Pastor, I want to come and pray and I want to give God and only God my problem. You just come right now.

Or maybe you're here today and you say, Pastor, that's so funny you say that. I've trusted God in the past and here I'm all uptight about something I'm facing now. I've trusted God for all kinds of things he's seen me through and now it seems like I have no faith in God for this.

No, I am going to trust him for this. I'm not going to trust him for some. I'm going to trust God at all times.

I'm going to trust God at all times. I want you to unload it to God tonight and say, God, I can't carry this stuff anymore. It's killing me.

And plus I can't... I'm not the solution. You are the solution. God is my only help.

And I'm going to keep my eyes on him and I'm going to trust him all the time. Not some of the time. Father, we take our eyes off of the left and the right.

Money, jobs, education, friends, family. Thank you for all of those. But our eyes are only on you tonight, Lord.

You alone are my help. You alone are our help. We thank you for different things that you use, but our eyes are going to be on you tonight, Lord.

You move the mountain. You open the sea for us, Lord. We ask you to teach us to trust you at all times.

Not just some problems. Not just big problems. Not just little problems.

But we hear your word to say today, trust the Lord at all times. Because you never tire of bearing our burdens and hearing our cry. And may your face shine upon us.

Yeah, let's put our hands together and give God... Come on, praise out loud while you clap. Hallelujah. Hallelujah to God.

Hallelujah. Gloria a tu nombre, Señor. And now let your face shine upon your people.

We pray in Jesus' name.

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