



"In Your Holy Name We Trust"

4 sections which exhibit a wholehearted trust in the one, true God:

I. The expressions of wholehearted trust—vv.1-3

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III. The foundations of wholehearted trust—vv.6-19

1. God's word possesses creative power—vv.6-9
2. God's purposes supersede wicked intentions—vv.10-12
3. God's omniscience accomplishes sovereign outcomes—vv.13-19

IV. The ingredients of wholehearted trust—vv.20-22

Ps 56:3-4, 23:6; Rm 8:28; Ps 119:89-91; Pro 21:30; Lam 3:37; Deut 7:6; Eph 1:11; Is 31:1; Prov 21:31; Ps 115:2-4, 28:7; 1 Thess 5:16-18; Ps 115:11, 63:3

God knows what has happened in the past in every part of His vast domains, and He is thoroughly acquainted with everything that now transpires throughout the entire universe. But He also is perfectly cognizant with every event, from the least to the greatest, that will happen in ages to come. God's knowledge of the future is as complete as His knowledge of the past and the present, because the future depends entirely upon Himself. Were it in any way possible for something to occur apart from either the direct agency or permission of God, then that something would be independent of Him, and He would at once cease to be supreme. (1)

The fear of the Lord is a reverential awe of his holiness, majesty, love, omnipotence and omniscience, which produces a dread of hindering our relationship with him by dishonoring or disobeying him.

Waiting on God, in part, is the opposite of complaining. It is embracing my circumstances as coming from God. It is to accept my circumstances without becoming suspicious about God's character, His ability, or His intentions. To wait on God is to trust Him when my circumstances do not change; to trust His goodness, His power, His promises, and His purposes. (2)

With God there can be no misplacing of confidence, no error of trust. How could there be? God has made the entire universe by his mere word and by the breath of his mouth. He foils the evil plans, not merely of individuals but of nations. God's purposes prevail. His plans prosper. Besides, he constantly looks upon the affairs of this world to care for his people...No one who trusts in this God is ever disappointed. No one who waits in trusting hope will be let down. (3)

¹ Arthur Walkington Pink, *The Nature of God* (Bellingham, WA: Logos Bible Software, 2005), 23.

² Smedley Yates, *Wait*, Location 317, Kindle Edition.

³ James Montgomery Boice, *Psalms 1-41: An Expositional Commentary* (Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books, 2005), 290-291.