



GOD IS _____

Part 4: God is (Un)Trustworthy

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What comes into our mind when we think about God
is the most important thing about us.

- A.W. Tozer

God is trustworthy

vs.

God is not to be trusted

The Lord's Prayer is both prescriptive and descriptive.

Matthew 6:9-13

⁹ Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

¹⁰ your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹ Give us today our daily bread.

¹² And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

God is our Father (verse 9)

God is near (verse 9)

God is present (verse 9)

God is holy (verse 9)

God is pure (verse 9)

God is powerful (verse 10)

God is providing (verse 11)

God is forgiving (verse 12)

God is pardoning (verse 12)

God is protective (verse 13)

God is trustworthy (verses 9-13)

Trust is always lived out in action.

To the pure, all things are pure, but to those who are corrupted and do not believe, nothing is pure. In fact, both their minds and consciences are corrupted. They claim to know God, but by their actions they deny him. – *Titus 1:15-16a*

Next Steps

This week, take some time to explore some of the areas where God asks us to trust him. If you've come to believe that he is trustworthy in these areas, how you are living out your trust? Here are some areas to consider:

- If I believe that God can be trusted to provide for me, am I living that out by tithing regularly to him?
- If I believe that God can be trusted to forgive me, am I extending forgiveness to others in the same spirit?
- If I believe that God can be trusted to protect me, am I sharing my faith with others confidently and graciously?

Small Group Questions

- 1) How would you fill in the blank today? – God is _____.
- 2) What do you do to establish trust in a relationship? What does a person have to do to prove to you that they are trustworthy? Are your answers to these two questions different or similar?
- 3) Read the Lord's Prayer out loud. What attributes of God jump out when you look at the prayer through the lens of who is listening to it (God)?
- 4) It's easy to say that God is trustworthy. In what ways are you living out that trust? What areas of life are the most difficult for you to entrust into God's hands?
- 5) Read Titus 1:16a. In what ways are you not trusting God through your actions?
- 6) What do you need prayer for today?

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