

Let Us Trust in the Lord After He Saves Us

(Psalm 118:8-9)

Introduction:

1. These verses touch on the value of "trusting in the Lord" -- trusting in Him is better than putting confidence in men, including princes.
2. This morning we studied passages that relate to "trusting in the Lord for salvation."
3. The Scriptures also teach that we are to continue "trusting in the Lord after He saves us."
4. In our lesson we will point out:
 - a. where the Lord is
 - b. what the Lord does
 - c. what the Lord wants us to do.

Discussion:

- I. TO TRUST IN THE LORD WE MUST KNOW WHERE HE IS
 - A. After He was resurrected Jesus was with His followers 40 days (Acts 1:1-3).
 - B. After this 40-day period Jesus ascended to heaven (Luke 24:50-51).
 - C. More specifically, in heaven Jesus *"sat on the right hand of God"* (Mark 16:19).
 - D. During His trials this is where Jesus said He would be (Luke 22:66-69).
 - E. At the present time Jesus is at the Father's right hand.
 1. This is where Stephen saw the Lord (Acts 7:55).
 2. Peter said that Jesus *"is on the right hand of God"* (1 Peter 3:20-21).
- II. TO TRUST IN THE LORD WE MUST KNOW WHAT HE DOES AT THE FATHER'S RIGHT HAND
 - A. He "intercedes" on behalf of His followers (Romans 8:34).
 - B. He rules as "the head of His church" (Ephesians 1:15-23).
 - C. He is "God's spokesman" (Hebrews 1:1-3).
 - D. He is "High Priest" (Hebrews 8:1; 10:11-14).
- III. TO TRUST IN THE LORD WE MUST FULFILL OUR RESPONSIBILITIES TO HIM AS HE DOES THE FATHER'S WILL AT THE FATHER'S RIGHT HAND
 - A. We are to focus on Him as we run the race (Hebrews 12:1-3).
 - B. We are to seek things that are above (Colossians 3:1-4).

Conclusion:

1. Before we determine whether people are trustworthy, we want to know them.
2. The better we know the Lord the more we will trust Him.
3. I hope that our study of these passages has helped us to increase our knowledge of the Lord so our trust in Him will grow.