

VCPC Vision Cast Sunday
January 7, 2024

I. What does it Mean to Trust God (in 2024)?

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

Trust in the LORD,

1. God is in ultimate control.

2. God loves us.

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus. (Ephesians 2:4-5)

3. God is God.

With all your heart,

Feelings of loneliness dropped 30%

Anger issues dropped 32%

Bitterness in relationships dropped 40%

Alcoholism dropped 57%

Sex outside of marriage dropped 68%

Feeling spiritually stagnant dropped 60%

Viewing pornography dropped 61%

Sharing faith with others jumped 200%

Practicing the “One Another Commandments of Jesus” jumped 230%ⁱ

Lean not on your own understanding,

In all your ways submit to him,

He will make your paths straight.

The righteousness of the blameless makes their paths straight, but the wicked are brought down by their own wickedness. (Proverbs 11:5)

II. Reflection Questions:

1. What do you need to trust God for in 2024? Why?
2. What do we need to trust God for in 2024? How?

III. Prayer Requests for 2024:

1. Pray for God to reveal His plans to us.
2. Pray for God to smooth out His plans for us.
3. Pray for God to offer His peace and strength in 2024.
4. Pray for God to give us the courage to walk with His Spirit.
5. Pray for the Harvest.

ⁱ *Understanding the Bible Engagement Challenge: Scientific Evidence for the Power of 4*, The Center for Bible Engagement, 2009. www.c4be.org.