Morning Lesson

WHAT IT MEANS TO TRUST GOD Rom. 8:28

INTRO:

- 1. We are in a unique time. The pandemic has brought about conditions that none of us has seen before.
- 2. These challenges should encourage us to trust in God.
- 1. The individual that trusts God is blessed. Jer. 17:7, 8 (Psalm 1)
- 2. Trust God instead of our own understanding. Prov. 3:5, 6
- 3. When we are afraid, we need to trust God. Psalm 56:3
- 4. We are to trust in the Lord and do good. Psalm 37:1-4
- 5. God knows those that take refuge in Him. Nahum 1:7
- 6. It is better to trust in the Lord than to trust in man. Psalm 118:8, 9
- 7. God keep those that trust in Him in perfect peace. Isa. 26:3, 4
- 8. It is easy to say that I trust in God when times are good, but it is in times of uncertainty or hardship that we show what we really believe.

 Prov. 24:10
- Christians can be joyful when the world panics because we see the one that is invisible. Heb. 11:27
- 10. If we genuinely believe in the God that runs the universe, we cannot be as fearful as our contemporaries that do not know God. The world is always watching. Phil. 1:27, 28
- 11. Paul was optimistic when his immediate future was unknown. Phil. 1:19; Phil. 2:24
- 12. We should preface all our plans with "if the Lord wills" and reject the pessimism of so many in our age. **James 4:15**

CONC:

- 1. In the present moment, we may think we are suffering more than anyone ever has and that can cloud our vision about God.
- 2. We are reminded that we can trust God when we look back at all he has done in the past. 2 Cor. 1:9-11
- 3. We have seen God's power in our own lives, and we can lean on memories for hope. **Rom. 8:28**
- 4. Jesus said his followers would have trouble in the world, but he overcame the world. John 16:33
- 5. Psalm 62:8