**Trust**

**The Lord is my strength and my shield;**

**in him my heart trusts.**

***(Psalm 28:7)***

**O Lord of hosts,**

**happy is everyone who trusts in you.**

***(Psalm 84:12)***

**My refuge and my fortress;**

**my God, in whom I trust.**

***(Psalm 91:2)***

**Trust in the Lord with all your heart,   
and do not rely on your own insight.  *(Proverbs 3:5)***

**Thou wilt keep us in perfect peace,**

**for in thee we have trusted,   
O Lord, forever and ever.  
*(Isaiah 26:3)***

**Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,   
and all these things shall be added to you.  *(St. Matthew 6:33)***

**Do not be anxious how or what you are to answer**

**or what you are to say;   
for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour**

**what you ought to say.**

***(St. Luke 12: 11-12)***

**Abraham proceeded to the Promised Land in light of what he wanted to do, trusting God would stop him if he was going the wrong way. *(Russ Johnston, in God Can Make It Happen)***

**Affirmation: “I do not know the answers, God, nor do I know the steps that I should take to get me there. I only want to know You more. My only need is to savor Your sweet presence in my life. I trust, truly trust, that I am in Your care and that all is well. Thank you, God.” *(Richard & Mary-Alice Jafolla, in The Quest)***

**Anxiety in human life is what squeaking and grinding are in machinery that is not oiled. In life, trust is the oil. *(Henry Ward Beecher)***

**Can Islamist terrorists really change?: Boko Haram fighters say they are “repenting and quitting terrorism – but can we trust them? Asked Eddy Odivwri. Over the past month, our military has released photos showing hundreds of the Islamist jihadists surrendering to soldiers in northeast Borno state, some of them holding signs begging Nigerians for forgiveness. That’s a big ask: Boko Haram has killed more than 100,000 people and forced thousands of kidnapped girls into marriage during its 12-year campaign to impose an especially brutal form of sharia law on northern Nigeria. Many Nigerians believe these militants are not deserving of pardons and should be made to answer for all their gruesome crimes. But that insistence on justice will surely scare off any militants who may be considering renouncing Boko Haram, incentivizing them to stick with the group and keep “killing and maiming more innocent people.” If we want peace, we must take a risk and “encourage the remnants to come forth and surrender.” That doesn’t mean blind trust – clearly, many militants are laying down their weapons only because they see that our army is winning. We will have to place them “under intense surveillance,” not only by the security agencies but also by community leaders. Mercy is necessary, but we mustn’t be naive. *(The Week magazine, September 10 / September 17, 2021)* \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*The best proof of love is trust. *(Dr. Joyce Brothers)***

**Trust your hunches. They're usually based on facts filed away just below the conscious level. *(Joyce Brothers)***

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**A cat will let you know if it’s comfortable with you. It closes its eyes. *(L. M. Boyd)***

**Linus: “I hear you tried to make friends with the cat next door.” Snoopy: “Stupid cat! I offered him the right hand of friendship, and he almost tore it off!” Linus: “Maybe you shouldn’t have been wearing a hockey glove. Maybe he thinks you don’t trust him.” Snoopy: “I trust him, but my hand doesn’t!” *(Charles Schulz, in Peanuts comic strip)***

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**I wanted to point out that one of the earliest supporters of smallpox inoculation in Europe was Catherine the Great, of Russia. Her bravery in receiving the smallpox inoculation in 1768, 28 years before Edward Jenner invented the first vaccine, narrowed the trust gap significantly in 18th century Russia – no small feat, given the slow pace of communication. She used her status as empress to make the issue nonpartison and nonclassist. She established inoculation clinics in several cities, and by 1800, 2 million Russians had been inoculated. *(Robynn Jensen, in The Atlantic magazine, April, 2023)***

**So how does Ray Charles know it was really Diet Pepsi he drank in the first place? *(Bill Flick)***

**If a child trusts you, you must be a noble person. *(Bits & Pieces)***

**A smart husband buys his wife very fine china so she won’t trust him to wash it. *(Celestial Lifeline)***

**I have also been stimulated by people who have gone into fear upon hearing that I am taking time to nurture my heart. One fellow asked me, “Aren't you concerned about your livelihood?” I told him, “I am more concerned about my life.” Another inquired, “How will you support yourself?” My response was, “God will pay me top salary to follow guidance.” *(Alan Cohen, in Heartlines)***

**What we are communicates far more eloquently than anything we say or do. There are people we trust because we know their character. Whether they're eloquent or not, whether they have human-relations techniques or not, we trust them and work successfully with them. *(Stephen R. Covey, in The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People)***

**I am proud of the fact that I can get credit easily, even from store-owners and bankers who don’t know me. But one day I was in a small town where no one knew me. I decided to try my luck and asked the storeowner for credit. She studied my face for a few seconds, and then replied, “You have an honest face, but it won’t fit in my cash register.” *(Jesse V. Berkshire, in Reader’s Digest)***

**Denmark is beating Covid. The Danish government recently announced the virus is no longer a “critical threat” there, and lifted its vaccination and mask requirements for indoor activities. Denmark’s death toll per million citizens over the course of the pandemic is just 22 percent of the U. S.’s, and daily deaths there have fallen to under 10. Our deaths are again running at more than 2,000 a day. Why the huge difference? Trust. A survey by researchers Michael Bang Petersen and Alexander Bor found that more than 90 percent of Danes trust their national health authorities and public decision makers, the Washington Post reported this week. As a result, 86 percent of eligible Danes have been vaccinated. In the U. S., trust in expertise, government, the media, and institutions has collapsed. Vaccinations are lagging below 50 percent in many states, and we may add another 100,000 deaths this fall and winter to our grim total of 675,000. The pandemic still casts a deep shadow over our lives. A society cannot function without a basic level of trust. The credibility void is filled with disinformation, conspiracy theories, cynicism, division, and resentment. The effects are plain to see: In Washington, consensus is dead and compromise virtually impossible. Trust in elections, the foundation of democracy, is eroding like a beach in a hurricane. In the face of all evidence, tens of millions of Americans continue to believe that the 2020 election was stolen, and that rigorously tested, lifesaving vaccines already administered to more than 200 million Americans – and billions worldwide – are dangerous and “experimental.” People shun a simple shot largely because they see it as a form of surrender. In red states, the unvaccinated are flooding overwhelmed hospitals; Idaho has adopted “crisis standards of care,” authorizing burned out staff to ration beds to those most likely to survive. Meanwhile, in Denmark, crowds are flocking to concerts and bars to celebrate their freedom. Divided, we fall. *(William Falk, in The Week magazine, October 1, 2021)***

***\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\**When your dog rolls over on its back and wags its tail, it isn’t necessarily asking for you to rub its tummy. It may enjoy that, too, but according to animal behaviorists the dog is making the supreme gesture of love and trust by exposing its vital parts to you. In effect what your dog is doing is saying, “I love you and I trust you, and to prove it I’m leaving my vulnerable throat and vital organs open for you to do anything you want to me.” *(Bernie Smith, in The Joy of Trivia, p. 119)***

**The master comes home from work and says to the dog who is biting at his leg: “Trust me. I haven’t been seeing other dogs.” *(Brad Anderson, in Marmaduke comic strip)***

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**Those who trust us educate us. *(T. S. Eliot)***

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**Trust the instinct to the end, though you can render no reason. *(Ralph Waldo Emerson)***

**All I have seen teaches me to trust the Creator for all I have not seen. *(Ralph Waldo Emerson)***

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**The plane was only half-full. When an attractive young woman asked if the seat next to mine was free, my male ego soared. Soon we were chatting pleasantly, and she told me it was her first flight. “Mom said to sit next to someone I thought I could trust,” she confessed nervously. “And you look just like my dad.” *(Roy Ragsdale, in Reader's Digest)***

**The founders didn’t put “In God We Trust” on the currency to reduce the national debt. They did it to reduce the national doubt. *(Wen Smith)***

**Many, whom the fox loved best, were waiting in the living room. After a joyous reunion with the cat and pug, Zorro flopped over on his side. Then he pulled himself along the entire length of the carpet toward Mary, crooning softly, his head thrown back, the jugular exposed, totally vulnerable, the ultimate demonstration of submission and devotion in the fox world. And we were a family again. *(Barnaby Conrad, in Reader’s Digest)***

**The wood that is the world is wide and full of trees from side to side, so strange a place you cannot see for certain where the way may be. To find your way in it, you must for the most part depend on trust, and you may take a turn or two before you find the right way through, but when you go in trust, you find you have a compass in your mind. *(James Dillet Freeman)***

***\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\**When we considered that God can totally be relied upon to bring spring each year and to turn the tides each day and to hold the planets in their orbits and constellations in their patterns, it became quite obvious to us that this Creator knows what It’s doing. “Yes, clearly,” we decided, “God can be trusted to bring about the best for all creation.” We were convinced. Or were we? *(Richard & Mary-Alice Jafolla, in The Quest, p. 370)***

**You can tell Americans trust in God by the way they drive. *(Thomas La Mance)***

**Trust in God – but tie your camel tight. *(Persian proverb)***

**Police quote: “In God we trust, all others are suspects.” *(Tidbits)***

**An employee suggested this slogan for his accounting firm: “In God We Trust. All Others We Audit.” *(Associated Press, in Reader’s Digest)***

**By not attempting to predict outcomes, by not fretting about the means of our getting there, we smooth the way for God’s plan to reveal itself easily and quickly. *(Richard & Mary-Alice Jafolla, in The Quest, p. 372)***

***\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\**I teach mathematics in Pittsburgh at Duquesne University, which was founded by the Holy Ghost Fathers. Once, I was part of a golf foursome with Father Roach, then the university's chaplain, and two other priests. As we were getting ready to tee off, Father Roach turned to me, “Dan, you keep score,” he said. “You are the only one we can trust.” *(Donato DeFelice, in Reader's Digest)***

**I do not understand it but I just keep trusting my Good Shepherd because I know He will not lead me anyplace He does not want me to follow. *(Alice Marquardt)***

**A government study released today revealed that most people don’t trust government studies! *(Tom Wilson, in Ziggy comic strip)***

**It is impossible to go through life without trust: that is to be imprisoned in the worst cell of all, oneself. *(Graham Greene)***

**Frank says to Ernest as they walk into the snack shop: “Why shouldn't I trust my gut? It's always one step ahead of me.” *(Bob Thaves, in Frank & Ernest comic strip)***

**The best way to find out if you can trust somebody is to trust them. *(Ernest Hemingway)***

**Some people will steal a candy bar if nobody is around to collect the money. You might view that as disgusting, but William Cigan looks at it differently. He has built Honor Shoppe, as it is appropriately called, into a multi-million-dollar business based on the presumption that the great majority of people will leave money. Honor Shoppe provides businesses with a tray containing about 100 different snacks -- candy bars, chips, raisins, cookies – costing 35 cents each. Employees help themselves, dropping their money in an unlocked coin box. Cigan, 56, put his first tray out in Eau Claire, Wis., his business base, in 1978. Today Honor Shoppe offers snacks at more than 20,000 locations in ten states. Last year sales hit approximately $3 million, says Cigan. *(Nation's Business)***

**Trust your hopes, not your fears. *(Bits & Pieces)***

**The scent of trust: A powerful hormone can make a suspicious person so trusting that he’ll turn over large sums of money to a stranger, says New Scientist. Oxytocin is often called the “cuddle hormone” because it is released after orgasm and triggers bonding. Swiss researchers distilled oxytocin into a nasal spray and asked subjects to play an investment game in which they had to decide whether to trust another person with a set amount of money. Investors who inhaled a dose of oxytocin before playing the game were far more likely to hand over money than those in a control group who received a placebo. “This is the first study that can describe the underlying biological mechanism of trust in humans,” researcher Markus Heinrichs tells National Geographic News. The findings suggest that oxytocin could be used to help people with autism, extreme shyness, or other social phobias. *(The Week magazine, June 24, 2005)***

**When a man assumes a public trust he should consider himself as public property. *(Thomas Jefferson)***

**The vanity of being known to be trusted with a secret is generally one of the chief motives to disclose it. *(Samuel Johnson)***

**The koala, once accustomed to man, is the most trusting of all wild animals, and if you pick one up he will nestle docilely against you and even put an arm around your neck. He is also the most helpless. He can neither fight very effectively nor run, and if fire comes he will only climb to the top of a tree and wait for death. *(Fred Dickenson)***

**During a cross-country flight, my pilot husband and I landed at a small airport in Illinois for refueling. It was noontime, so we asked the airport manager where we might get something to eat. “There's a motel down the road,” he said. “You can use my car to get there.” “You don't even know us,” I marveled, “and you trust us with your car?” “Sure," he said, dangling our keys from his finger. “I've got your airplane.” *(M. June Morgan, in Reader's Digest)***

**The more we trust to the simplicity and infallibility of the law the better will be our individual demonstration and the more we shall contribute to the transformation of the race thought that causes lack and famine. Those who make the greatest spiritual demonstrations are not the wise of the world but the obedient children of the law on the bosom of infinite love. *(Charles Fillmore, in Prosperity, p. 84)***

**Never trust the teller, trust the tale. *(D. H. Lawrence)***

**Leap, and the net will appear. *(Julia Cameron, in The Artist’s Way)***

**Don't trust nobody but your mama. And even then, look at her real good. *(Bo Diddley)***

**Maranatha Bible Camp in Nebraska was built as a wilderness retreat, so when the government decided they were going to route Interstate 80 right on the edge of the camp, it looked like a disaster. After all, who’s ever heard of a wilderness camp with a superhighway going by it? So Christians began to pray and trust God to change the government’s plan. They even hired a former lieutenant governor of Nebraska to represent them in court on the matter, but nothing helped. The highway was going through. It looked as if God had withheld. But that’s because God’s plan was much better. When the highway was going in, it turned out that the builders needed sand to construct the interchanges, so they worked out an agreement with the Camp Director to get the sand from the campgrounds. And in return, they graded the hole that was left into a beautiful recreational lake that has greatly enhanced the ministry of the camp. Plus, the highway cut right through a nearby farm in such a way that the farmer no longer had direct access to a part of his land, so he decided to sell it to the camp at a reasonable price. So besides the free lake, the camp expanded its facilities and increased its ministry. Not a bad return for waiting on God to fulfill His promise. *(Russ Johnston, in God Can Make It Happen, p. 128)***

**We must have a place where children can have a whole group of adults they can trust. *(Margaret Mead, American anthropologist)***

**So trust means we must totally rely upon simple truth of God's word. *(Al Menconi, in Rock The Planet, p. 124)***

**We trust more than we think: How many times do we drive through a green light trusting? How many times do we deposit money into the bank trusting? How many times do we eat food from the grocery store trusting? How many times do we put a letter in a mail box trusting. *(David J. Seibert)***

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\***I know God will not give me anything I can’t handle. I just wish that He didn’t trust me so much. *(Mother Teresa)***

**Loving trust means an absolute, unconditional, unwavering confidence in God, even when everything seems to be a total failure; to look to God alone as our help and Protector, trusting to the point of rashness with courageous confidence in God’s goodness. *(Mother Teresa)***

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\***It was my first wild-mushroom-picking expedition, and I was eager to get the skillet and butter going. Mildly concerned that my bounty would not be safe to eat, I stopped by the county agricultural agent’s office. He checked the mushrooms over and said, “Yes, these are edible.” As I headed toward the door, he called after me, “However, I’d start with a small batch.” *(Kurt Petersen, in Reader’s Digest)***

**Never trust anyone over thirty. *(Abby Hoffman)***

**When most oarsmen talk about their perfect moments in a boat, they refer not so much to winning a race as to the feel of the boat, all eight oars in the water together, the synchronization almost perfect. In moments like that, the boat seems to lift right out of the water. Oarsmen call that the moment of swing. Olympics contender John Bigelow loved that moment, but what he liked most about it was that it allowed you to trust the other men in the boat. The boat did not have swing unless everyone was putting out in exact measure, and because of that, there was the possibility of true trust among oarsmen. *(Dr. Delia Sellers, in Abundant Living magazine)***

**The only way to make a man trustworthy is to trust him. *(Henry Stimson, politician)***

**Parents can convey love and disrespect at the same time. A child can understand that you would give your life for him but still harbor doubts that he has your confidence. How? Perhaps you are tense and nervous when he starts to speak to guests or outsiders, or you butt in to explain what he was really trying to say. Do not interrupt and answer questions for him or give him a lecture on how not to make a fool of himself? These subtle actions, though framed in genuine love, are signals that without supervision you don't trust him with your image. *(James Dobson, in Hide or Seek)***

**When someone asked Charles Fillmore, “Will you send me a paper and wait until I can pay for it?” he replied, “Certainly we will. We know that it will bring to you before the year is out that which will pay for it many times over. It will pay its own way. If you do not feel before the end of the year that it has much more than paid its own way, you need not send us a cent, and you will never be dunned. No bills are ever sent out from this office. If you do not pay your bill freely and gladly, it is evident that you have not had value received, hence you owe us nothing.” *(James Dillet Freeman, in The Story of Unity, p. 116)***

**Just because there were waves all around him didn’t mean Peter was out of God’s will in jumping out of the boat. It only meant he needed to keep trusting as he walked across the waves to Jesus’ side. *(Johnston/Rank, in God Can Make It Happen, p. 71)***

**The main hall of the Hayden Planetarium was filled with youngsters as the lights dimmed and the magnificent star show began. The narrator introduced his talk to the hushed, awed audience by stating that on a clear night one can see 5000 stars in the sky. From the first row came a small voice: “One, two, three …” The narrator, recovering gamely, said, “Well, most people take our word for it.” *(Walter C. Ebmeyer)***

**Plans come to me, but I never decide on my movements until I have let the matter rest without argument. I take it into the silence and lay my plan before Infinite Intelligence. The inner conviction will come. Follow it. Do not argue. Trust. Maintain the quiet, trustful attitude. Eliminate the personal wish. Do not be afraid to follow the inner conviction. There is the guiding voice in every experience. *(Dr. Nona L. Brooks, In the Light of Healing)***

**If you plant a tree, don’t keep pulling it up by the roots to see how it’s growing. *(Bits & Pieces)***

**Maybe you already knew the platypus swims with its eyes closed. *(L. M. Boyd)***

**The jail is not crowded in Mulege, Baja California. All prisoners are let out at 6 a.m. to go to work. They return for evening check, go free again for dinner, a movie, whatever, and come back at bedtime. Murderers, robbers, rapists. All of them. *(L. M. Boyd)***

**One afternoon in England in 1662 the people of London were witnesses to a strange sight -- 30 criminals, unguarded, marching from one prison to another. It didn’t take long to discover what was behind the curious episode. The criminals were Quakers who had been thrown into Newgate Prison for refusing to swear by an oath as the law required. “We Quakers make no oaths,” they had insisted. “Our word is our bond.” While there, a coroner’s jury investigating several deaths within that prison concluded, “It is severely overcrowded and must be reduced in its inmate population.” The warden offered to remove the Quakers who were there from Newgate to Bridewell Prison, a place less crowded. But he was deficient in guards and so told them, “You know the way to Bridewell. Promise me you will get there before nightfall and I’m absolutely sure you will!” And so it was that they followed their leader, Thomas Elwood, and marched unescorted as criminals from one prison to another. To an inquisitive spectator, hard put to understand such a sight, Elwood is reported as having said, “We have made a promise, we have given our word. Our word is our keeper!” *(Jeb S. Magruder)***

**When Jasen Bracy lost his sight at 7 to retinal cancer, he refused to give up on his dream of playing football. Bracy, 15, started calling coaches in the area until the Modesto Raiders agreed to take him on. He memorized every play and where each player was supposed to be, impressing his coach so much he was named the team’s starting quarterback. With the help of his dad, who guides him from the sidelines with a walkie-talkie to a speaker in his helmet, Bracy recently led his team to a win over a team that had turned him down. “It’s all memory. It’s all about having trust in the player, the receiver, and the team,” Bracy said. “I have to trust them 100 percent.” *(The Week magazine, October 15, 2021)***

**Daughter: “Mom, what’s that racket in the kitchen?” Mom: “Oh, no! Muffy’s got her head stuck in the garbage disposal! Earl, you stand by the switch and make sure no one turns on the disposal! Okay. On second thought, Sylvia, you guard the switch. I don’t trust your father.” *(Brian Crane, in Pickles comic strip)***

**TRUST FACTORS: Identifying America's go-to products was only one goal of this year's Reader's Digest Trusted Brands survey of 3,500 representative customers, conducted by the national polling firm Ipsos. We also wanted to know what influenced buying decisions, and some of the results were surprising. For instance, price didn't generally affect trust. Only 10 percent of people said that an unusually low price would make them distrust a health-care product, and only 11 percent said they distrusted generics. Positive online reviews spoke to many people: 45 percent of those looking for a weight-loss system said that they put significant faith in them. Overall, the biggest factor driving trust was whether a product had worked in the past -- 63 percent of people cited that factor, followed by 54 percent who looked at the brand's overall reputation. On the other hand, only 6 percent of consumers said their trust was affected by a claim of being "new" or "improved," the lowest factor on our list. *(Reader's Digest, March, 2019 issue, page 85)***

**Here's a good way to understand and remember what trust is:**

**T is for Totally, R is for Rely,** **U is for Upon, S is for Simple, and T is for Truth.**

**Stacey's Restaurant and the people of Traverse City, Michigan. Stacey's serves meals on the honor system. There's no cashier. After customers get their check, they just go to the cash register, ring up the bill, pay their money and leave. Nobody watches them, because nobody has to. Stacey's has operated like this for 20 years, and owners Julia and Charles Stathakis say, “If you trust people, they won't cheat on you.” *(Norman Vincent Peale, “The American Character” radio program)***

**The robber points the gun at the man and says: “I'll take a check if you've got some identification.” *(Jim Unger, in Classic Herman comic strip)***

**You never know how much you really believe anything until its truth or falsehood becomes a matter of life and death. It is easy to say you believe a rope to be strong as long as you are merely using it to cord a box. But suppose you had to hang by that rope over a precipice. Wouldn't you then first discover how much you really trusted it? *(C. S. Lewis, in A Grief Observed)***

**Trust the past to the mercy of God, the present to his love, and the future to his providence. *(St. Augustine)***

**My husband, daughter and I had lived in our new community for only a few weeks when I applied for part-time work at the junior-senior high school. Soon I was called to my first day at the superintendent's office, where I helped count several thousand dollars from ball-game admissions. Later the secretary sent me to the bank to deposit the cash. “How did you know you could trust me with so much money?” I asked her, returning to the office. With a wry smile, she gestured toward the classroom. “We've got your daughter,” she replied. *(June Rae Wood, in Reader’s Digest)***

**Charlie Brown, referring to Snoopy, says to Linus: “Here, take it . . . Don’t be so suspicious! What a dog! He’s getting so he doesn’t trust anybody.” Linus: “He’d make a good human being!” *(Charles Schulz, in Peanuts comic strip)***

**Self-trust is so important. When you launch on a story, make your neck loose, feel free, good natured. And be lazy. Feel that you are going to throw it away. Try writing utterly unplanned stories and see what comes out. *(Brenda Ueland, writer, 1938)***

**Better to trust the man who is frequently in error than the one who is never in doubt. *(Eric Sevareid, CBS)***

**Early in the Spanish Civil War, before foreign armies intervened, Loyalists and Falangists stopped for noon siestas, climbing out of their trenches into clear view to sit under umbrellas, eat lunch and drink wine. According to historical footnotes, the fighting didn't resume until both sides repositioned behind their weapons. *(L. M. Boyd)***

**Trust yourself. You know more than you think you do. *(Dr. Benjamin Spock, in Baby and Child Care)***

**Smart, college professor lecturing to his college students: “There are 119,791,432,614 stars in the sky.” College student, quickly jumping to his feet: “How do you know?” Professor: “Well, if you don't believe me, count them for yourself!” *(Joe Dudley, in Reader's Digest)***

**This is the step we must all take: begin to seek this kingdom of God's substance. Trust in the promise and see the result in the mental currents that are set in motion all about us. You may not be able to see at just what point success began, or what separate word of allegiance to the Father first took effect, but as the weeks or months go by you will observe many changes taking place in your mind, your body, and your affairs. You will find that your ideas have broadened immensely, that your little limited world has been transformed into a big world. You will find your mind more alert and you will see clearly where you were in doubt before, because you have begun thinking about realities instead of appearances. *(Charles Fillmore, in Prosperity, p. 39)***

**Best swimming teacher for a small child is that child's mother or father. What's important, the experts say, is trust in the teacher. *(L. M. Boyd)***

**I think we may safely trust a good deal more than we do. *(Henry David Thoreau)***

**When a train goes through a tunnel and it gets dark, you don't throw away the ticket and jump off. You sit still and trust the engineer. *(Corrie ten Boom, a Nazi concentration camp survivor)***

**In truth we trust. Can I trust you with the truth? How truthful are you? What’s the truth? Truth is integrity, honesty, beauty and trust. *(Todd Siler, in Truizms)***

**In the 1930s, when great industrial empires with carefully hoarded reserves were going bankrupt, it might have seemed to an onlooker that an institution like Unity, that had no source of income except the literature that was sold for a nominal price and the freely-sent offerings of people who were not even members of the organization and whose only connection was often only that of a letter and a prayer, could not possibly survive. *(James Dillet Freeman, in The  Story of Unity, p. 135)***

**Once when Charles G. Dawes, Vice President under Calvin Coolidge, was traveling through Ohio, he stopped at a small village store to get some soft drinks. When the woman behind the counter had served him, Dawes said, “I shall need a bottle opener, but I'll bring it back.” The woman looked at him keenly in apparent doubt. “Where are you from?” she asked. “You don't look like you come from around here.” Dawes confessed he was from Washington and added that he was the Vice President of the United States. “Boy,” said the woman sharply to a youth nearby. “You go along with this man and make sure you bring back my bottle opener!” *(John F. Parker, in Roll Call)***

**Few things help an individual more than to place responsibility upon him and to let him know that you trust him. *(Booker T. Washington)***

**Women as a rule know more about pure mind on its own plane than men, because they trust that inner faculty of pure knowing called intuition more fully than men. *(Charles Fillmore)***

**Servant: “Look! While we were stealing stuff from the castle someone stole our boat!” Hagar: “Yeah! You just can't trust anyone these days!” *(Dik  Browne, in Hagar The Horrible comic strip)***

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