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"But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in Him." (Jeremiah 17:7, NIV)

God-Centered Confidence

Did you know that as a disciple you can build your confidence in God? It grows the more we meditate on His Word, know who He is, and draw near to Him through prayer. Confidently trusting the Lord brings many blessings:

Spiritual Growth. Relying on God means we respond to difficulties by seeking Him for guidance and strength. In turn, we experience the Holy Spirit's presence, provision, and power and, as a result, spiritual growth. Life is better than we imagined when our assurance comes from God (Ephesians 3:20).

Peace. When our security rests in God and we show conviction about His promises, peace follows (Isaiah 26:3). Our calm demeanor will waver, however, when we try to mix trusting Him with relying on ourselves.

Influence. Others will take notice when they observe that God inspired our confidence. As they see us achieve something unexpected, grow spiritually, or exhibit inner peace, they'll want what we have. Then, hopefully, we can inspire them to know our Saviour, Lord and Faithful Friend, Jesus Christ.

Do your actions as a disciple reveal self-reliance or God-centered confidence? The Lord our God is worthy of our trust and allegiance (Revelation 5:12). What steps will you take today to further deepen your confidence in Him?

