



*Trust is the foundation and bedrock of every good relationship*

Trust is a must. It is necessary in business, in politics, in marriage. There was a time before “fine print” when an agreement was sealed with a handshake and a man’s word was his bond. There was a time when trust was the gold standard of every relationship. Break that trust and the bond was broken. We soon learn that we should not trust everyone. Ask Eve. The stranger in the Garden seemed like such a nice young salesman. What she bought that day cost everything she had. Trusting that aluminum siding salesman, or that contractor seemed like such good horse sense at the time. Countless numbers thought they had really bought the Brooklyn Bridge and could kick themselves for being such a fool.

Trust should be based on more than a gut feeling. It needs the collateral of truth. It needs the voucher of veracity. God’s Word is His bond and it is the benchmark and plumb line of reality itself. Everything else is an illusion and a lie. There are no half-truths, or almost goods. Fifty shades of gray are in man’s rainbow, not God’s. The “thus saith the Lord” of the Bible was oath enough to take to the bank. There is one standard of truth and one standard only. “If they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them” (Isa 8:20). The world may laugh at the Bible and the “Bible Thumper.” But that is like a blind man laughing at the sun. Jesus Christ said and settled it forever when He said: “I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, No man cometh unto the Father but by Me.” You can trust that and take it to the bank. –id.