

It's So Sweet to Trust In Jesus

"In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness."

(Ps 31:1)

This old classic hymn, 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus' was written by Louisa M.R. Stead in 1882 and set to music by William J. Kirkpatrick in the same year. The grand theme of old testament precepts was to trust confidently in the great mercies of Jehovah. As a widow, Louisa was stricken with poverty with nothing for her daughter to eat. She trusted God in prayer. She wrote this hymn after finding that somebody had left her some food and money one day on her doorstep. God will not fail you too! (1 Kg 8:56)

Trust is the confident attitude of having the initiative to act forth depending upon someone else to help in times of critical needs. Trust is the wholehearted assurance in taking someone at their word: "God is not a man, that He should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath He said and shall He not do it? Or hath He spoken, and shall He not make it good?" (Num 23:19). Trust also means the courage to behave steadfastly on the reliability and infallibility of God's promise: "so shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." (Isa 55:11).

Why do we trust Jesus? Jesus had unceasing love for His covenant people: "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, if ye do the things which I command you." (Jn 15:13-14). Jesus is now the sovereign ruler in control of all things (Heb 1:1-3). You are safe in His hands (Jn 10:28,29; 13:3). Jesus will keep all His promises according to 2 Peter 3:9. When we put our trust on our Saviour, in view of Ephesian 1:12, we shall receive manifold blessings of adoption of sonship; eternal redemption; rich grace; the good pleasure of His favour and everlasting inheritance (Eph 1:5-11). This new season, let the promise of Psalm 25:2 be the banner of victory in your life. Wear the armour of 1 John 5:4 and the spirit of victory will aid you to your own breakthrough!

Tasting His goodness, Psalm 34:8