

# Rely on God

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Intro:  
**The order is important**

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- A. Live the New Life
- B. Proclaim Christ
- C. Rely on God's Resources
- D. Be Christ's Disciple
- E. Grow in Christlikeness



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“You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world...

In fact, this is love for God: to keep his commands. And his commands are not burdensome, for everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith.”

*1 John 4:4 and 5:3-4*

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The danger of relying on self:

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"This is what the Sovereign Lord, the Holy One of Israel says: 'In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength, but you would have none of it.

You said, 'No, we will flee on horses,'

Therefore you will flee!'"

*Isaiah 30:15-16*

Outline:

# What does it look like when we rely on God?

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1. Clear direction from God
2. Love, joy, and the fruit of the Spirit
3. Strength, hope, and confidence
4. Physical and spiritual restedness



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"For no matter how many promises God has made, they are 'Yes' in Christ. And so through Him the amen is spoken by us to the glory of God."

*2 Corinthians 1:20*

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ."

*Ephesians 1:3*

# 1. Clear direction from God

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"Trust in the Lord with all your heart  
and lean not on your own  
understanding.

In all your ways, acknowledge Him,  
and He will make your path straight."

*Proverbs 3:5-6*

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# 1. Clear direction from God

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"Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in You. Show me the way I should go, for to You I lift up my soul."

*Psalm 143:8*

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## 2. Love, joy, and the fruit of the Spirit

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"But I trust in Your unfailing love,  
my heart rejoices in Your salvation.

I will sing to the Lord,  
for He has been good to me."

*Psalm 13:5-6*

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## 2. Love, joy, and the fruit of the Spirit

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"The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him and I am helped.

My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to Him in song."

*Psalm 28:7*

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### 3. Strength, hope, and confidence

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"but those who trust in the LORD  
will renew their strength;  
they will soar on wings like  
eagles; they will run and not  
become weary, they will walk and  
not faint."

*Isaiah 40:31 (CSB)*

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### 3. Strength, hope, and confidence

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"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

*Romans 15:13*

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## 4. Physical and spiritual restedness

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"He who dwells in the shelter of the  
Most High will rest in the shadow  
of the Almighty.

I will say of the LORD,  
'He is my refuge and my fortress,  
my God in whom I trust.'"

*Psalm 91:1-2*

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## 4. Physical and spiritual restedness

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*Isaiah 30:15*

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Review:

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Application:  
**How can we rely on God?**

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1. Remember and live out Assurance of Guidance  
(and our other memory verses on this topic!)
2. Press in to God – hold on tight!
3. Repentance and rest; quietness
4. Walk by faith, not by sight

Application:  
How can we rely on God?

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“He put a new song in my mouth,  
a hymn of praise to our God.

Many will see and fear and put their trust in  
the LORD.”

*Psalms 40:3*