



## Trusting in Jesus.

WHAT did an Old Testament prophet predict of Christ ?

“And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people ; to it shall the Gentiles seek : and his rest shall be glorious.” Isa. 11 : 10.

2. How does the apostle render this prophecy ?

“And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles ; in him shall the Gentiles trust.” Rom. 15 : 12.

3. What were the apostles, who first trusted in Christ, to become ?

“That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.” Eph. 1 : 12.

4. What did the Ephesians do upon hearing the message of truth ?

“In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.” Verse 13, first part.

5. What returns did they receive from their proposed trust ?

“In whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise.” Last part of same verse.

NOTE. — It will be noticed that this last-quoted text makes *trust* and *belief* synonymous. To trust in Jesus, is to believe in him *fully*, and to have an undivided affection for him ; after which, and not before, they may be sealed by the Holy Spirit.



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## 6. To whom does the gospel become the power of God?

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first and also to the Greek." Rom. 1:16.

## 7. But suppose one halts in his faith or trust; how is he regarded by the Lord?

"Now the just shall live by faith; but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him." Heb. 10:38.

## 8. By what does one gain the victory over the world?

"For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." 1 John 5:4.

## 9. In the struggles with temptations, if one trusts in Jesus, how will he show it?

"These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." John 16:33.

NOTE. — If we confide in the One whom we fully believe to be able to bring us safely through, our countenances will wear a calm, peaceful, cheerful look, born of the trust we have in Jesus.

## 10. But is there not some other help in the work of overcoming, besides a silent trust in Christ?

"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death." Rev. 12:11.

## 11. But besides receiving power to overcome our foes, are there not temporal benefits to be derived from trusting in Jesus?

"For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour." Matt. 9:21, 22. See also Mark 10:52; Luke 17:19, and others. Probably these were cases of the first exercise of saving faith on the part of those whose lives had not been exemplary; but Daniel's unwavering trust when cast into the den of lions, as well as on other occasions, was due to the fact that "he believed in his God." Dan. 6.

