\*IN GOD WE TRUST\*

" \*Do not put your trust in Princes, in human beings who cannot help".\*

Psalm 146:3

Each time I hold a Dollar denomination and I glances through; seeing the Motto:"In God we trust" always makes me to ponder on the rationale behind it.

The bible says:

\*"If my people who are called by my name shall humble themselves, pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and I will forgive their sins and heal their land".\*

2 Chron7:14.

Although, the message of today is not about the United States of America; their allegiance to God as inscribed on their currency is a bold statement that cannot be ignored.

Perhaps that is why America is the most sort after nation of the world in major sphere: economically , socially, sports, politically etc;

Whether, the people of America and their life style buttress their confession is not a discuss I wish to be involved in.

One of the early saying, I grew up to know is:

" \*Putting your trust in man is vanity"\*

Meaning, the help you get from man is not reliable; usually inefective and limited.

Notwithstanding, we are always guilty of relying on the help we get from our families, friends and most especially influential people in high places of power and authority.

I had been a victim of disappointment by trusting in the help of man.

The Psalmist said:

\*"It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man".\*

Psalm 118:8.

As a teenager, I was opportuned to accompany my mother to the house of a family friend one fateful day.

Her mission was to get financial help for her business at that time and she was optimistic the man will help;

We were entertained by the wife of the man and after that my mother had a lengthy discussion with them.

Soon after, we left the place. As she entered the car with me:she started crying as if her hope had been shattered; I couldn't control my tears either.

The memory of that incident is still very fresh in me.

Surprisingly, not long after that incident; she bought two cars.

\*"I lift up my eyes to the hills, where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and the earth....".\*

Psalm 121:1-8.

There is this saying that: God will not come down to help,He will send people.

I guess, it is the reliance on this saying that leads us even as believers to put our trust & focus on certain people as our "God sent".

Certainly, there are \*helpers of destiny\* sent or prepared by God to help us achieve our purposes in life.

In most cases, we dont have foreknowledge of their identity;

Helpers of destiny could be \*anybody\*; they will just perform their assignment without anybody having to lobby or put pressure on them.

The Chief butler though forgot Joseph for two years despite the fact that Joseph told him to mention his case before Pharaoh.

At the appointed time the butler mentioned Joseph to the King without any pressure.

\*Gen 40&41\*

Samuel did not know David before God sent him to Jesse's house.

\*1 Sam 16:1\*

When David sent the Ark to the house of Obededom , he did not expect anything good for Obededom's family;

However, within three months the Ark spent in Obededom's

house, he got so prosperous that he became an envy of the city.

\*2 Sam 6\* .

It was Naaman's maid God used to liberate him from years of stigma and humiliation of leprosy.

\*2 Kings 5\* .

\*Lesson\* :Be careful how you treat people generally; you don't know who your helper of destiny is.

\*"Trust not in a friend, put not confidence in a companion: keep the doors of your mouth from her that lies in your bosom".\*

Micah 7:5.

It is your closest person that will probably let you down when you need them most

\*"A man's enemies are the members of his own household\*

Micah 7:6

God is a jealous God; He does not want us to put our trust in man.

\*"Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who draws strength from mere flesh and whose heart turns away from the Lord".\*

Jer 17:5.

God is capable of doing just anything, hence He demand our total trust in His capabilities.

\*"Don't put your trust in mere humans, they are as frail as breath, what good are they?\*

Isaiah 2:22.

Truly, there is no friend like Jesus, He is the only true friend.

Friends of this world will at some point forsake you, but you can be sure our Lord Jesus will stand by you to the very end of your journey in life; provided you are on the Lord's side.

\*"The Lord Himself go before you and will be with you, He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid, do not be discouraged".\*

Deu 31:8.

Without doubt, there are some kind-hearted persons around us that could be very supportive; but they do not stick for long!; in fact they could become mini god and very domineering at some stage.

My late mother would always say a prayer:

\*"God will allow me to stick with you, up till the time when you shall have no more fear".\*

However, death took her away; am still here going through the rigours of life which sometimes shake and test my strength and fearlessness.

Troubles of this world, could be very enormous; that it will bring discouragement to your family and friends and

they will get overwhelmed with issues at some point of the journey of life.

Interestingly, our God does not neglect us. He never gets tired of our affairs nor become fed up with the issues that confront us.

Our Lord Jesus said:

\*"I will be with you always, even to the end of this world".\*

Matthew 28:20.

\*Jesus reigns forever.\*

Our God is Unchangeable and dependable. The forth person in the furnace of fire.

\*"Our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace"\*

\*Dan 3:16-30\*.

The bible says a woman can forget her new child but \*God cannot forget\*;

\*"I have graven you in the palms of My Hands, your walls are continually before Me".\*

Isaiah 49:15&16.

Shakespeare once said:

\*"I always feel happy, you know why?, because I don’t expect anything from anyone. Expectations always hurt".\*

The missing link, in the above statement is that your expectations should be towards God.

He is the Jehovah Jireh: God my provider How he will do it I do not care; but I know He is faithful.

\*"Some trust in chariots and some in horses; but we trust in the name of our God".\*

Psalm 20:7.

\*Prayer\*:Father help me to continually put my trust in you \*only\*, in every situation of life.

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If you are yet to give your life to JESUS? Do not delay; repent now before it is too late.

JESUS REIGNS.

Signed, Bro Cole