

Do You Really Trust Your Way?

“My Way” (partial lyrics)

Regrets, I've had a few, but then again, too few to mention.
I did what I had to do, and saw it through without exemption.
I planned each charted course, each careful step along the byway.
And more, much more than this, I did it my way.
Yes, there were times, I'm sure you knew, when I bit off more than I could chew.
But through it all, when there was doubt, I ate it up and spit it out.
I faced it all and I stood tall, and did it my way.

David while on the run from Saul: He refused to do things his way. Twice he had opportunities to kill Saul, but would not do it.

1 Samuel 26:7-11 (ESV) ⁷So David and Abishai went to the army by night. And there lay Saul sleeping within the encampment, with his spear stuck in the ground at his head, and Abner and the army lay around him. ⁸Then Abishai said to David, “God has given your enemy into your hand this day. Now please let me pin him to the earth with one stroke of the spear, and I will not strike him twice.” ⁹But David said to Abishai, “**Do not destroy him, for who can put out his hand against the Lord's anointed and be guiltless?**” ¹⁰And David said, “As the Lord lives, the Lord will strike him, or his day will come to die, or he will go down into battle and perish. ¹¹ The Lord forbid that I should put out my hand against the Lord's anointed. But take now the spear that is at his head and the jar of water, and let us go.”

I. What Does the World Say? Do Things Your Way. Trust in Your Way.

Article #1: <https://steemit.com/life/@jasimg/trust-yourself-to-achieve-success-in-life>

Trust Yourself to Achieve Success in Life.

There are two major things that stop us from living the life we want. Let's face them together:

- Lack of trust in yourself
- Lack of your ability to manage your emotions



Until you decide to trust yourself you will never be what you truly want to be. Whenever you are going through something hard in life, never lose the power of self-trust. You end up creating a beautiful time of your life when you master the power of self-trust.

How to Trust Yourself?

- **Accept Yourself.** Know who you are and accept the way you are.
- **Take Your Own Decisions.** You are your own master. Start realizing your power and potential. Trust your choices, think about them deeply and, after that, never regret them.
- **Stop Pleasing Others.** When you really trust yourself, you stop worrying about what everyone else feels about you.

What Happens When You Trust Yourself?

- **You Get Through Anything in Life.** When you trust yourself, you can handle anything in life no matter how hard it is. You figure it out, get through it, and become stronger than ever.
- **You Become Independent.** When you start trusting yourself, you realize that your life is your own and you have to work on it yourself to make it better.

- **You Become Phenomenal in Life.** Once you trust self-power, you develop a phenomenal attitude towards every aspect of your life. Life, relationships, connections, and freedom no longer scare you.

Article #2: <https://www.quotespedia.org/authors/r/robert-tew/trust-yourself-youve-survived-a-lot-and-youll-survive-whatever-is-coming-robort-tew/>

Trust Yourself.

Trust yourself and you will be able to realize that you are capable of withstanding any sort of difficulties that come along your way. We often fear the hurdles, and we do so only because we are unaware of our own potential. Know that you are stronger than you actually think yourself to be! All you need is to trust yourself and have faith in your abilities. You must understand that you are capable of dealing with all sorts of hardships, and nothing in this world can stop you from achieving all that you want to fetch. Too often, we underestimate our own abilities and that's the biggest mistake that we can ever do! Certainly, all we need is to trust ourselves.... All you need is to have faith in yourself and you will be able to overcome each and every hurdle that comes along your way.

II. What Does God Say?

Proverbs 3:5-6 (ESV) ⁵ Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. ⁶ In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

Proverbs 28:26 (ESV) ²⁶ Whoever trusts in his own mind is a fool, but he who walks in wisdom will be delivered.

Proverbs 14:12 (ESV) ¹² There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way to death.

Proverbs 16:3 (ESV) ³ Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established.

Psalms 32:8-11 (ESV) ⁸I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. ⁹Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you. ¹⁰Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord. ¹¹Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

Think about what happened in the garden of Eden. Which tree did God forbid Adam and Eve to eat from? Not the tree of life! They were given life! Then why were they forbidden to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil? What did God know?

What does it take to handle well the knowledge of good and evil? One must possess (1) the ability to completely comprehend all the possible options and contingencies (omniscience), (2) the righteousness and wisdom to choose the right course, and (3) the power to control reality so that it follows the right course (omnipotence).

Only God can handle the knowledge of good and evil! God was saying, "Don't eat from that tree. Just keep on submitting to my will. Keep on affirming my wisdom. Keep on being thankful for my generosity. Keep on trusting me as a Father, and keep on eating from all those other trees as a way of enjoying my blessings.

Those who lean on their own understanding are the irrational ones, not those who trust in the Lord! How foolish we are to trust our own hugely limited understanding when we can trust the unlimited understanding of God!

III. Are your ways better than God's?

- In your major life decisions do you trust God and seek wise counsel?
- In your career choices, do you trust God and seek the kingdom first?
- In your health, exercise, and eating choices, do you trust God and take good care of His temple?
- In your friendships and dating relationships, do you trust God and talk about your relationship with Him and emphasize how important He is to you?
- In your financial choices, do you trust God and refuse to spend money you don't have on things you don't need, so that you can have something to share and serve with?
- In your recreation choices, do you trust God and reject ungodliness and impurity?
- In your daily habits do you trust God and make prayer and Bible reading a high priority?

IV. 15 Powerful Reasons to Trust God

1. His Word Is Absolutely and Completely True.

Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth (John 17:17).

2. He Cannot Lie.

God is not man, that he should lie, or a son of man, that he should change his mind. Has he said, and will he not do it? Or has he spoken, and will he not fulfill it? (Numbers 23:19)

3. He Is Faithful to Keep His Promises.

If we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself (2 Timothy 2:13).

4. He Has Never Failed to Fulfill His Word.

So shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it (Isaiah 55:11).

5. He Is Infinitely Wise.

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! (Romans 11:33)

6. He Is Completely Just.

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you (Psa 89:14).

7. He Is Infinitely Loving.

Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love (1 John 4:8).

8. He Is Infinitely Powerful.

For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse (Rom 1:20).

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us (Ephesians 3:20).

9. He Gave His Son to Die for You.

But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us (Romans 5:8).

10. He Cares for You.

Casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you (1 Peter 5:7).

11. He Is Always Good to You.

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him! (Psalm 34:8)

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose (Romans 8:28).

12. He Has Wonderful Plans and Blessings for You.

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope (Jeremiah 29:11).

13. He Will Never Leave You.

Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." (Hebrews 13:5)

Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved (Psalm 55:22).

14. He Will Make All His Children Like Jesus.

For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers (Romans 8:29).

15. He Will Never Change His Nature.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever (Hebrews 13:8).