

Can We Trust God?

Exodus 15.22-17.7

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Introduction

The testing was for the benefit of the people; God knew the answers.

The ultimate question: can we rely on God?

Main Points: What can we learn from being tested?

1. God can make a bad _____ good - 15.22-27
 - Water changed from bitter to sweet.
 - Even though they had witnessed the power and grace of God acting on their behalf, _____ was still the issue. It was for Israel then and it is for us now even though the Bible reminds us...
 - Psalm 32.10
 - Jeremiah 29.11
 - Romans 8.28
 - God has demonstrated that he works out _____ for our good and His glory so trust Him.
2. God will give us what we _____ - 16.1-36
 - They got bread.
 - What Israel had to learn was that they could trust God for tomorrow. They might not be able to see it, but God has _____ under control.
 - Isaiah 41.10
 - Psalm 55.22
 - Philippians 4.19
 - God's grace is _____ so proceed with confidence and remember...

3. God evokes _____ by doing the unbelievable - 17.1-7
 - Water from a rock.
 - Resting in God's _____ -- When things get difficult it's easy to question if God cares or if he's even paying attention.
 - People always want a sign - John 6.30-31; Matthew 12.38ff.
 - Psalm 121.3-5
 - Matthew 6.25-34
 - Don't worry. _____. Remember: God can do more than we can ask or imagine.

Conclusion

- We learn to trust God through being tested.
- Every test demonstrates something about God.
- Every test foreshadows Christ.

