

THE BOOK OF PSALMS. Ps.37.

"Faith--Trust"

1. THE SIMPLICITY OF FAITH. vs.3. "Trust in the Lord"
 - a. **Trust.** Is the attribute of a child. it is the attitude of unquestioning resting on the assurance of the parent. Note the Chinese equivalent.
"Trust" is the spring of action.
 - b. **"Do good"**. This is the fruit of the tree, of which "trust" is the root. Cf the "good works" of the N.T.

2. THE JOYOUSNESS OF FAITH. vs.4 "Delight".
 - a. Faith "delights" in the tests of God.
 - b. Elijah and the **water poured** on altar.
 - c. Abraham and Sodom. God is willing to be put to the test. **"Prove me now!"**
Tests make the promise real.
 - d. Faith "**delights**" in obeying God.
cf Abraham and Isaac.
 - e. Faith "**delights**" in just being in Him. *34/37*
As little child just delighted in being in the **water**. "All springs are in Thee"

3. THE YIELDINGNESS OF FAITH. vs.5 "Commit"
 - a. It **implies** a full surrender, which in turn implies a full acceptance of all God's guidance. **Habits--Ways** etc.
 - b. Illustration of committal. Joseph in Egypt.
 - c. Implies that **God will choose for us.** How?

4. THE QUIET AND CERTAINTY OF FAITH. vs7: "Rest"
 - a. "Be still and let Him mould thee"
"Stand still and see the salvation etc"
cf. the story of Jehoshaphat.
 - b. We are strengthened to patience, and so we rest. Col.1:11.
 - c. Quiet resting gives assurance. Resting and looking to Him will make us like Him. Over