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“The Word Of Trust”
Cornerstone Church of Poway
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Big Idea: By examining the final words of Jesus, we will better understand His grace and mercy.

“He **canceled the record** of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.” **Colossians 2:14 (NLT2) Remember Verse**

By this time it was noon, and darkness fell across the whole land until three o’clock. The light from the sun was gone. And suddenly, the curtain in the sanctuary of the Temple was torn down the middle. Then Jesus shouted, **“Father, I entrust my spirit into your hands!”** And with those words he breathed his last. When the Roman officer overseeing the execution saw what had happened, he worshiped God and said, “Surely this man was innocent.” **Luke 23:44-47 (NLT2)**

Three truths I can trust in:

1. I Can Trust God In My Darkest Moment

“Even though I walk through the valley of the **shadow of death**, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **You** prepare a table before me in the presence of my **enemies**. You anoint my head with oil; **my cup** overflows. Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and **I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**” **Psalm 23:4-6 (NIV)**

“We think you ought to know, dear brothers and sisters, about the trouble we went through in the province of Asia. We were crushed and overwhelmed beyond our ability to endure, and we thought we would never live through it. In fact, we expected to die. But as a result, we stopped relying on ourselves and learned to rely only on God, who raises the dead.” **2 Corinthians 1:8-9 (NLT2)**

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2. I Can Trust My Father Is Doing Things I Can’t See!

“And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.”
Romans 8:28 (NLT2)

“All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is our merciful Father and the source of all comfort. He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us.” **2 Corinthians 1:3-4 (NLT2)**

“Can anything ever separate us from Christ’s love? Does it mean he no longer loves us if we have trouble or calamity, or are persecuted, or hungry, or destitute, or in danger, or threatened with death? (As the Scriptures say, “For your sake we are killed every day; we are being slaughtered like sheep.”) No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us. And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God’s love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God’s love.”

Romans 8:35-38 (NLT2)

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3. I Can Trust There Will Be An End To Suffering And Death

“We know that God, who raised the Lord Jesus, will also raise us with Jesus and present us to himself together with you. All of this is for your benefit. And as God’s grace reaches more and more people, there will be great thanksgiving, and God will receive more and more glory. That is why we never give up. Though our bodies are dying, our spirits are being renewed every day.

2 Corinthians 4:14-16 (NLT2)

For our present troubles are small and won’t last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever! So we don’t look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever.” **2 Corinthians 4:17-18 (NLT2)**

I heard a loud shout from the throne, saying, “Look, God’s home is now among his people! He will live with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them. He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever.”

Revelation 21:3-4 (NLT2)

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- **Do I trust God in all things?**

My next right step, I will:

- Trust that God can work good in spite of my difficulties
- Put my hope in heaven
- Share what I have gone through to help others
- Follow Jesus in Believer’s Baptism July 10

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Open in Prayer.

Ice breaker: Who in your life do you trust the most? Why?

Three truths I can trust in:

1. I Can Trust God In My Darkest Moment

Read Psalm 23:4-6

What was King David confident about when he is facing death?

What does the imagery of the “rod and the staff”, “preparing a table”, “anointing with oil”, “our cup overflowing” and “living in the Lord’s house” mean to you?

Wiersbe Expository Outlines. “Of course, the picture here is that of the Oriental shepherd and his flock. Such a shepherd knows each sheep by name. The shepherd goes before the sheep and makes sure they are not walking into danger ([John 10:27-28](#)). The sheep never need worry when they follow the shepherd, for he will protect them and provide for them. Even when they go through a dangerous valley ([v. 4](#)), the shepherd is beside them, and beyond the valley is the house of rest. At the end of the day, the shepherd leads the flock back to the fold and stands by the open door to examine each one as it enters. If he sees one that is bruised or weary, he puts the refreshing oil upon it to soothe and heal it, and gives it a drink of cool water. How gracious our Shepherd is to care for us!”

Read 2 Corinthians 1:8-9

How does this passage differ from the “prosperity gospel” that is sometimes taught today?

What is the lesson Paul wants us to learn?

2. I Can Trust My Father Is Doing Things I Can't See!

Read Romans 8:28

What difficult thing has God worked out in your life for the good?

Read 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

God never wastes a pain. He is the source of all comfort. Have you experienced pain and suffering? How has God brought you comfort? Are you willing to share with others?

Read Romans 8:35-38

Can anything ever separate us from Christ's love?

Looking at this list of first century suffering and persecution, which experience can you relate to?

Which encourages you the most?

3. I Can Trust There Will Be An End To Suffering And Death

Read 2 Corinthians 4:14-16

What should be our confidence?

Read 2 Corinthians 4:17-18

Knowing what Paul and other first century Christians were going through, how can Paul say that their present troubles were small?

Read Revelation 21:3-4

What will heaven be like?

How has this series helped you in your faith?

Close in Prayer: Start praying. Be bold and pray specifically.