

I've Got Issues - Week 2

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You cannot change what you will not confront.

Week 2 - I've Got Trust Issues

When we expect God to treat us the way people have treated us, we reduce Him to the level of our disappointments instead of trusting Him for who He is.

Sometimes we treat God according to our wounds instead of according to His nature.

Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"

Trust issues come when what we see outweighs what we believe.

1. Trust who He is

He says to “come...” and we say “but...”

God is good

We can trust who He is.

2. Trust what He’s done

If you have no other history with God, He has a history with you because of the cross.

God is faithful.

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.

Deuteronomy 31:6

Your faithfulness continues through all generations; you established the earth and it endures.

Psalms 119:90

Because of the LORD’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:22-23

When you can’t see God in the present, remember where you’ve seen Him in the past.

3. Trust what He’s said

Then he got into the boat and his disciples followed him. Suddenly a furious storm came up on the lake, so that the waves swept over the boat. But Jesus was sleeping. The

disciples went and woke him, saying, "Lord, save us! We're going to drown!" He replied, " You of little faith, why are you so afraid?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm.

Matthew 8:23-26

Learn the Word of God until His voice becomes louder than your fear.

You can trust the Lord.