

WHO CAN YOU TRUST?
Reference: **Proverbs 3:5-6**
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Everek R. Storms a schoolteacher from Kitchener Ontario Canada, determined that there are altogether _____ promises in Scripture. Those promises consist of _____ promises from God to man, _____ promises from God the Father to His Son, Jesus, _____ from one man to another man, _____ promises from man to God, _____ promises were from angels, _____ promise made from a man to an angel, _____ were made from a demon to God and Satan himself made _____ promises.

Those promises from God to man exist in two separate categories:

One... _____ - _____ promises i.e. promises God has made to man that are true no matter what. There are no conditions man must meet before these promises can go into effect

Reference: **Genesis 9:12-17**

Two... _____ promises i.e. promises God has made to man that are true if man meets certain conditions. That means the conditional promise doesn't go into effect until those prescribed conditions are met. One example of a conditional promise is found in **Proverbs 3:5-6** and this sermon is from that particular text.

There are three conditions in this verse that are in the form of injunctions. An injunction means an authoritative order or command.

ONE: We should put our _____ in God.
verse five, "*Trust in the Lord with all your heart...*"

To trust someone means to put our confidence and reliance in that someone.

There are three attributes that are needed to build trust in someone:

- someone must be _____
- someone must be _____
- someone must be _____ (faithful)

These same three attributes are intrinsic to God.

- God is _____
Reference: **Numbers 23:19; Hebrews 6:18** (see screen)
- God is _____
Reference: **Genesis 18:25** (see screen)
- God is _____ (faithful)
Reference: **II Thessalonians 3:3; Psalm 20:7; 118:8** (see screen)

TWO: We shouldn't depend on our own _____

_____.
verse five continues, "*...lean (depend) not on your own understanding;*"

Question: Why would God caution us against leaning on and depending on our own human understanding?

Answer: Because God doesn't necessarily _____ according to human understanding.

Reference: **Isaiah 55:8-9** (see screen)

Sometimes trusting God means going against normal human understanding and sometimes it means contradicting human logic.

Reference: **Luke 5:1-9** (see screen)

THREE: We should **recognize** that at _____ and in _____

_____ God is to be considered _____.
verse six "*In all your ways acknowledge Him...*"

Once those three conditions are met the result is the fulfillment of this conditional promise found in:

verse six continued, "*...and He (God) shall direct your paths.*"

God speaks to us through four means:

- _____
- _____
- Competent _____
- Internal impulses from the _____