



How Should We Respond?

~~Repent for sin and seek mercy~~

Humbly petition the Lord in prayer (with thanksgiving)

Use this time to grow in your faith

Use this time to love and serve each other

Offer hope to a hopeless world (with the gospel message)

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And he said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden?'"

2 The woman answered the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden, 3 but about the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden, God has said, 'You must not eat of it or touch it, or you will die.'"

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19 For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate." [Isaiah 29:14]

20 Where is the wise man? Where is the scribe? Where is the philosopher of this age?

Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?

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18 Let no one deceive himself.

If any of you thinks he is wise in this age, he should become a fool, so that he may become wise.

19 For the wisdom of this world is foolishness in God's sight.

As it is written: "He catches the wise in their craftiness." [Job 5:13]

20 And again, "The Lord knows that the thoughts of the wise are futile." [Psalm 94:11]

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Isaiah 55

7 Let the wicked man forsake his own way
and the unrighteous man his own thoughts;
let him return to the LORD, that He may have
compassion,

and to our God, for He will freely pardon.

8 "For My thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways My ways," declares the LORD.

9 "For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so My ways are higher than your ways
and My thoughts than your thoughts.

The first thing to know in
trusting God
is that trusting myself is
foolish

The first thing to do in
trusting God
is to STOP TRUSTING
myself

Ephesians 4

22 ... put off your former way of life,
your old self, which is being
corrupted by its deceitful desires;

23 to be renewed in the spirit of
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24 and to put on the new self,
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1 Peter 4

14 If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.

15 Indeed, none of you should suffer as a murderer or thief or wrongdoer, or even as a meddler.

16 But if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but glorify God that you bear that name.

1 Peter 4

17 For it is time for judgment to begin with the family of God; and if it begins with us, what will the outcome be for those who disobey the gospel of God?

18 And,

"If it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?" [Proverbs 11:31]

19 So then, those who suffer according to God's will should entrust their souls to their faithful Creator and continue to do good.

1 Peter 5

10 And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself restore you, secure you, strengthen you, and establish you.

11 To Him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

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