

Expectations Outline

I. Introduction: The Connection Between Trust and God's Movement

- A. Every believer desires to see God move in various areas of life
- B. God's movement is tied to our trust
- C. Trust positions us to receive, recognize, and respond to God's movement
- D. Trust is the bridge between God's promise and our experience

II. Trust Activates God's Movement

- A. Faith is the currency of the Kingdom
 - 1. Jesus says "Your faith has made you whole"
 - 2. Not based on perfection, background, or worthiness
 - 3. Faith says: "God, I believe You can and will do what You said"
- B. Biblical examples of trust that moved God
 - 1. The woman with the issue of blood (Matthew 9:20-22)
 - 2. The centurion (Matthew 8:5-13)
 - 3. Blind Bartimaeus (Mark 10:46-52)
 - 4. Trust preceded the miracle in every case
- C. Trust is active, not passive
 - 1. Trust moves us forward
 - 2. Examples: reaching out, calling out, speaking boldly
 - 3. Our movement precedes God's movement

III. Expectation + Trust = Spiritual Readiness

A. Expectation is the atmosphere where miracles grow

1. Psalm 62:5 - "My expectation is from Him"
2. Expectation is faith with anticipation
3. David longed for God's presence, not just His gifts (Psalm 63:1-3)
4. Jesus teaches to seek God first (Matthew 6:33)

B. Expectation transforms our posture

1. Changes how we pray
2. Changes how we worship
3. Changes how we wait
4. Changes how we respond
5. Sharpens spiritual senses

C. Trust keeps us steady until God moves

1. Expectation without trust leads to frustration
2. Trust without expectation leads to stagnation
3. Together they create breakthrough posture

IV. God Moves When We Release Control

A. Proverbs 3:5-6 is a surrender verse

1. Trust with all your heart
2. Don't lean on your own understanding
3. Trust requires letting go

B. Control is the enemy of trust

1. We want God's power without His process

2. We want God's miracles without His methods
3. Trust says: "I don't need to understand - I just need to obey"

C. God directs surrendered paths

1. Direction comes after surrender
2. When we release control:
 - God opens doors we couldn't open
 - God closes doors we were afraid to close
 - God aligns relationships, opportunities, and timing
 - God moves in unexpected ways
3. Trust unlocks divine direction

V. Illustrations

A. The Tightrope Walker

1. Belief is saying "God can"
2. Trust is saying "God, I'm getting in"

B. The Child Jumping Into a Parent's Arms

1. Trust is relational, not logical
2. No analysis needed - just trust the relationship

VI. Conclusion: Where Trust Grows, God Moves

- A. God is not limited by circumstances but waits for our trust
- B. Trust:
 1. Opens the door
 2. Positions the heart

3. Releases God's movement
4. Aligns us with His will
5. Activates His promises

C. Areas requiring trust:

1. Finances
2. Health
3. Family
4. Calling
5. Identity
6. Future

D. Final declaration: Where trust grows, God moves