

### In God We Trust

In God we trust — a rustic phrase  
Was coined in our colonial days.  
But now it has become passé;  
Just empty words to nobly say.

The founding fathers had a plan;  
Freedom, respect for every man;  
And under God, a right to stand  
As builders of a growing land.

Too soon we grew to be too great.  
Our trust in God did soon abate.  
Too quick to greed, to lust and hate;  
Too slow to love, appreciate.

Babylon made the same mistake,  
She chose the road of sin to take.  
And if the same mistake we make,  
We too will ultimately break.

The Romans and Egyptians too  
Did lust and greed and war pursue.  
Their epitaphs are nothing new;  
And object lesson we might view.

Our God is great and good and just.  
'Twas He who raised us from the dust.  
Return to Him! Return you must!  
And really say, "In God we trust."

- James E. Donelson -



When George Washington was leaving home to begin what would become a lifelong service for his country, he recorded the parting words of his mother, Mrs. Mary Washington: *Remember that God is our only sure trust. To Him, I commend you ... My son, neglect not the duty of secret prayer.*

- America's God and Country  
Encyclopedia of Quotations -

Without God there is no virtue because there is no prompting of the conscience ... without God there is a coarsening of the society; without God democracy will not and cannot long endure ... If we ever forget that we are One Nation Under God, then we will be a Nation gone under.

- Ronald Reagan,  
Prayer Breakfast, Dallas, TX, August 23, 1984  
- America's God and Country  
Encyclopedia of Quotations -

"Trust ye in the Lord for ever: for in the Lord JEHOVAH is everlasting strength" - Isaiah 26:4

### News & Notes

**CARE & SHARE BEARS:** Resumes Tuesday, July 7th at 9:00 a.m.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** This Saturday, July 11th at 8:00 a.m. at the Crockery City Café in East Liverpool, OH. All the men are invited.

**NURSING HOME VISIT:** This Saturday, July 11th at 2:30 p.m. Those who can and will are urged to help with this activity.

**ADD TO JULY CALENDAR:** Canyon Reynolds, July 20th.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** July 20-24, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Adult Class: J. D. Conley.

**PANTRY:** Macaroni & cheese.

**THOSE WITH HEALTH CONCERNS:** Weirton Medical Center: Rich Robinson. Children's Hospital, Pittsburgh: Helena Rice (age 6). At Home: Crystal Baker, Herb & Beulah Rice, Ilene Rayl, Docie Moore, Jack Board, Betty Carlin, Ruth Brewer, Harry & Imogene Nice. FOX NURSING HOME: Ruby Eddy. Remember others confined to their homes and in nursing homes. Check the bulletin board.

### AT EASE

I love the account of Job. This great man is known for his godliness and patience. But it was not always so. Job was like many of us in this generation; caught up in our daily lives and our possessions. Job was one of the richest men of his day, having apparently been blessed abundantly by God. All was going well with him, so why should he worry about anything?

What Job didn't know was that a conversation was going on between God and Satan concerning him. God was about to allow Satan to afflict Job very strenuously. Chapter one describes how, in one day, everything was taken away from this man. Chapter two relates how Satan afflicted his body with sores from head to foot. In chapter 16, Job defines his suffering thus: "I was at ease, but he hath broken me asunder: he hath also taken me by my neck, and shaken me to pieces..." He was at ease enjoying his wealth and position in life, not thinking that God could take it all away in a day. Amos 6:1 says, "Woe to them that are at ease in Zion, and trust in the mountain of Samaria..." Let us not take God's wonderful blessings for granted, but give Him thanks and praise for all He has let us have.

- John Wright, Woodbine Church of Christ, Nashville, TN

### Today, O Lord—

Let me put right before interest;  
Let me put others before self;  
Let me put the things of the Spirit before the things of the body;  
Let me put the attainment of noble ends above the enjoyment of present pleasures;  
Let me put principle above reputation;  
Let me put Thee before all else.

- Author Unknown -