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A TIME FOR...

“Building Trust”

“Trust is the glue of life. It's the most essential ingredient in effective communication. It's the foundational principle that holds all relationships.”

Stephen Covey

Our God Given Challenge?

1 Cor.12:12, 15-18 NLT

¹² The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up one whole body. **So it is with the body of Christ.**

¹⁵ If the foot says, “I am not a part of the body because I am not a hand,” that does not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear says, “I am not part of the body because I am not an eye,” would that make it any less a part of the body? ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, how would you hear? Or if your whole body were an ear, how would you smell anything? ¹⁸ But our bodies have many parts, and **God has put each part just where he wants it.**

Why is Trust So Important?

- Our Inward Relationships grow Stronger
- Our Speed of Movement becomes FASTER
- Our Outward Impact reaches Wider

Trust Brings Opportunity & Testing !

Genesis 39:2,4, 6-9 NLT

² The Lord was with Joseph, so **he succeeded in everything he did as he served** in the home of his Egyptian master...

⁴ This pleased Potiphar, so he soon made Joseph his personal attendant. He **put him in charge of his entire household and everything he owned**.

⁶ ...Joseph was a very handsome and well-built young man,
⁷ and Potiphar's wife soon began to look at him lustfully.

"Come and sleep with me," she demanded.⁸ But Joseph refused. "Look," he told her, "**my master trusts me with everything** in his entire household... ⁹... How could I do such a wicked thing?"

1pm, Thurs. 15th Oct 1987



Weatherman: Michael Fish

“Earlier on today, apparently, a woman rang the BBC and said she heard there was a hurricane on the way; well, if you're watching, don't worry, there isn't,

...but having said that, actually, the weather will become very windy...

Q. What happened within 24hrs?...

Fri., 16th Oct 1987 – 'The Great Storm'

120 mph 'Hurricane'



15 million trees down (inc. Chartwell)



Sealink 'Hengist' grounded, Folkestone

What Builds Trust-worthiness?

- 1. Develop good judgement!** – Prov. 4:5
- 2. Do what I say I will do** – Matt 5:37
- 3. Consider others** – Phil 2:3-4
- 4. Carry responsibility well** – Col 3:23
- 5. Live my life in truth** – Prov. 12:22

We Choose Where to Put Our TRUST

Psalm 56:3-4 NIV

³ When I am afraid, **I put my trust in you.** ⁴ In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust and am not afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?

What Happens as I Put My Trust in God...?

- 1. I will See and Understand** **John 12:46** NLT I have come as a light to shine in this dark world, so that all who put their trust in me will no longer remain in the dark.
- 2. I will Prosper** **Prov. 28:25** NIV The greedy stir up conflict, but those who trust in the Lord will prosper.
- 3. I will Discover Perfect Peace** **Isaiah 26:3** NLT You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you!
- 4. I will Find New Strength** **Isaiah 40:31** NLT But those who trust in the Lord will find new strength.
- 5. I will Not be Shaken but Endure** **Ps.125:1** NIV Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be shaken but endures forever.

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