

Introduction: “A Matter of Trust” by Billy Joel

*“Now while he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, many people saw the signs he was performing and believed in his name. But Jesus would not entrust himself to them, for he knew all people. He did not need any testimony about mankind, for he knew what was in each person.”* John 2:23-25

## **I. Who Did Jesus Trust?**

*“But Jesus would not entrust himself to them, for he knew all people. ““he knew what was in each person.” (vss. 24-25)*

Jesus Surprises Us

Illustration: Buying a Home

## **II. What is Trust?**

*“Now while he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, many people saw the signs he was performing and believed in his name.”  
(vs. 23)*

Miracle-based Faith

True Faith

Example: Mary, the Mother of Jesus - John 2:1-11

### III. What Do We Tend to Trust?

*But Jesus would not entrust himself to them,...for he knew what was in each person.” (VSS. 24-25)*

Analogy: Building a Car Ourselves

Application

- We want to run our own lives
- We want to set our own standards
- We seek our own glory

Trust: Two Errors to Avoid

- Trust People Implicitly

- Trust No One

#### IV. Who Are We to Trust?

#### Facing Our Inner Darkness

*“I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.” Galatians 2:20*