

## Monthly Memory Verse January 2012

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## Publisher & Author Message

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### Message from the publisher and author

#### *Monthly Memory Verse and Dale's Notes*

Dale's Notes are provided to be used as an encouragement to study the context from where the monthly memory verse was selected. It's my desire to provide some background information and practical understanding of some things, which I see within my own study of God's word. It's my hope through reading the notes; you will desire to study God's word in more detail.

Dale's Notes are only a layman's attempt to share the good news of our savior Jesus Christ through a monthly memory verse and the study of God's word in our daily walk with the Lord.

Brother in Jesus Christ,  
Dale ☺  
Dale A. Kaye

#### *Message:*

Thank you Lord Jesus for helping me start a new year in publishing The Monthly Memory Verse and I personally thank each one of you who have participated in some way or another to help this ministry. I'm so grateful for the prayers and encouragement I receive through each one of you who receive The Monthly Memory Verse. You don't have to look real hard to see how the Lord has worked. Just click on the first edition and the last and you will see God's blessing is very clear just in the layout! The Lord is faithful! Happy New Year 2012

#### *Prayer request:*

Shared Interests and Personal

I ask your help again in the grammar for the proofing of the monthly publication and continue to pray with me in asking God for help to provide a consistent format for the Monthly Memory Verse and Dale's Notes. I continue to ask your prayers and encouragement to serve in this way. Please, remember my family as we make changes in our lives to honor our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Thank you,  
*Dale*

# Quick Bio-glance

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## Quick Bio-glance:



### Frances Jane Crosby

(March 24, 1820 – February 12, 1915),

Frances Jane Crosby usually known as **Fanny Crosby** in the United States and by her married name, **Frances van Alstyne**, in the United Kingdom, was an American Methodist rescue mission worker, poet, lyricist, and composer. During her lifetime, she was well-known throughout the United States. By the end of the 19th century, she was "a household name in evangelical Protestant circles" globally,<sup>[1][2]</sup> and "one of the most prominent figures in American evangelical life".<sup>[3]</sup> She became blind while an infant.

Best known for her Protestant Christian hymns and gospel songs, Crosby was "the premier hymnist of the gospel song period (ca. 1870-1920)",<sup>[4]</sup> and one of the most prolific hymnists in history, writing over 8000,<sup>[5][6]</sup> with over 100 million copies of her songs printed.<sup>[7]</sup> Crosby was inducted into the Gospel Music Hall of Fame in 1975.<sup>[8]</sup> Known as the "Queen of Gospel Song Writers",<sup>[9]</sup> and as the "Mother of modern congregational singing in America",<sup>[10]</sup> with "dozens of her hymns continue to find a place in the hymnals of Protestant evangelicalism around the world",<sup>[11]</sup> with most American hymnals containing her work, as "with the possible exception of Isaac Watts and Charles Wesley, Crosby has generally been represented by the largest number of hymns of any writer of the twentieth century in nonliturgical hymnals".<sup>[3]</sup> Her gospel songs were "paradigmatic of all revival music",<sup>[3]</sup> and Ira Sankey attributed the success of the Moody and Sankey evangelical campaigns largely to Crosby's hymns.<sup>[12][13][14]</sup> Some of Crosby's best-known songs include "Blessed Assurance", "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Saviour", "Jesus Is Tenderly Calling You Home", "Praise Him, Praise Him", "Rescue the Perishing", and "To God Be the Glory". Because some publishers were hesitant to have so many hymns by one person in their hymnals, Crosby used nearly 200 different pseudonyms during her career.<sup>[15][16][17]</sup>

Crosby wrote over 1,000 secular poems,<sup>[18]</sup> and had four books of poetry published, as well as two best-selling autobiographies. Crosby was the subject of at least a dozen biographies. Additionally, Crosby co-wrote popular secular songs, as well as political and patriotic songs, and at least five cantatas on biblical and patriotic themes, including *The Flower Queen*, the first secular cantata by an American composer. Crosby was committed to Christian rescue missions, and was known for her public speaking.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fanny\\_Crosby](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fanny_Crosby)

## Theology Term

### Supra-lapsarian

Supra-lapsarianism from a Latin term, [*supra*] meaning before and [*lapsum*] meaning fall, is the doctrine that God chose the election for his own glory prior to the decision to let sin enter into creation. As opposed to Infra-lapsarianism which is the doctrine that God created the world first, and then having foreseen that His creation would fall into sin, He declared the Election.

<http://www.mountainretreat.org.net/faq/glossary.html#supra-lapsarian>

**Matthew  
Hennerly's  
Commentary on  
the Whole Bible:**

**Deu 6:4-16**

Here is, I. A brief summary of religion, containing the first principles of faith and obedience, [Deu 6:4](#), [Deu 6:5](#). These two verses the Jews reckon one of the choicest portions of scripture: they write it in their phylacteries, and think themselves not only obliged to say it at least twice every day, but very happy in being so obliged, having this saying among them, *Blessed are we, who every morning and evening say, Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord.* But more blessed are we if we duly consider and improve,

1. What we are here taught to believe concerning God: that *Jehovah our God is one Jehovah.* (1.) That the God whom we serve is Jehovah, a Being infinitely and eternally perfect, self-existent, and self-sufficient. (2.) That he is the one only living and true God; he only is God, and he is but one. The firm belief of this self-evident truth would effectually arm them against all idolatry, which was introduced by that fundamental error, that there are gods many. It is past dispute that there is one God, and there is *no other but he,* [Mar 12:32](#).

# Dale's Notes

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## MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

### PART I

**Read: Pro 3:5-6: (KJV)**

**Pro 3:5-6 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.**

### *Where have you placed your trust?*

My first thought when thinking of our memory verse was where have I placed my trust? The question is simple and non-complicated. Every individual trusts in something or someone for direction or dependency in life. Our verse in Proverbs levels the playing field for life; it simplifies our lives for direction, purpose and meaning to give it value! Our verse removes any doubt as to who we are to trust and how! We're to trust the Lord with all our hearts leaving nothing which is not entrusted to him! Absolutely everything trusted to God through Jesus Christ our savior!

You see, it's always a heart issue for mankind because the heart is desperately wicked as spoken by Jeremiah the prophet: *"The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings. (Jer 17:9-10 KJV)"*

*Jesus spoke of the human heart this way when speaking to his disciples: "And he said to them, "Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?" (Thus he declared all foods clean.) And he said, "What comes out of a person is what defiles him. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person. (Mar 7:18-23 ESV)"*

### *Love and trust*

To love the Lord with all your heart as command through Moses doesn't change here! It's understood the one who loves the Lord with all their heart would therefore trust him in the same manner in which he loves Him [God]! It's said of the Jews, they would say the Shema at least twice daily which is a quote from Deu 6:4-5 to set their hearts on Him who is so wonderful and great in all His doings ([side bar reference](#))! They counted it a great blessing of joy to receive such favor from the Lord and a privilege to love Him in all his ways! Proverbs 3 is admonition to a son as to how to he is to live life in the Lord!

Now one who is depraved in heart and mind and lives outside of God should **not** think he's to be guided or directed in anything in life by the Lord. Why; for he doesn't acknowledge the Lord nor does he set his heart on God to trust a single word of faith given from him. Now if such a sinner would repent of his sins and believe/ trust the gospel with all their heart they would find God to direct their steps and find the one who says I am the way, the truth, and the life no man goes to Father but by me! If you have come to Jesus Christ why would you trust anyone else or stop acknowledging your dependency upon Him who is so much greater than all we can think or ask!

**Keil & Delitzsch  
Commentary on the  
Old Testament**

“From God alone comes true prosperity, true help. He knows the right way to the right ends. He knows what benefits us. He is able to free us from that which does us harm: therefore it is our duty and our safety to place our confidence wholly in Him, and to trust not to our own judgment. The verb **בָּטַח**, Arab.

**batḥ**, has the root-meaning *expandere*, whence perhaps, by a more direct way than that noted under **Psa 4:6**, it acquires the meaning *confidere*, to lean with the whole body on something, in order to rest upon it,

strengthened by **עָל**, if one lean wholly - Fr. *se reposer sur quelqu'un*; Ital. *riposarsi sopra alcuno*, - like **הִשָּׁעַן** with

**אָל**, to lean on anything, so as to be supported by it; with **עָל**, to support oneself on anything (Fl.). **הִשָּׁעַן** (the same in form as **שָׁעַן**, Num 11:12) is not fully represented by “acknowledge Him;” as in **1Ch 28:9** it is not a mere theoretic acknowledgment that is meant, but earnest penetrating cognizance, engaging the whole man.”

Well, I have a treat for you this month. When talking to a good friend and brother in the Lord I asked him to chime in on the topic of trusting God and so He did.

**Pastor R. Lynn Snider of FBC Rosehill (Tomball, Texas)**

“Prov. 3:5-6

Our world is in trouble today, and yet... the world has always been in trouble. God gives us the path of peace, but we like the rest of mankind often try to figure things out without the Lord’s input. BIG mistake!

He has given us great minds with which to think, create, and worship, but we tend to misdirect if we are not careful.

God’s Word tells us to “Trust” Him with all of our hearts. To trust defined as, “to accept without investigation.” Sometime ago a bumper sticker hailed, “God said it, I believe it, and that settles it!” Based on this verse and others it should read, “God said it, and that settles it!” Regardless of our perspective, God’s Truth is paramount, and so we need to trust it!

It has been said that **Trust** means to rely on, depend on, have confidence in. **Trust** with God as the goal or object means to regard him as the source of wisdom and power in all things and therefore worthy of our entire confidence. The act of trusting is sometimes expressed figuratively as “putting your heart in the hands of”. How much more simple can this be?

To lean on our own is the path to destruction. If we go to the surgeon, doctor, dentist, or optometrist we don’t want to lean our understanding. We have to trust them for their understanding of our condition.

To lean on our own understand in spiritual things, daily events, and significant relationships would be just as unwise. We should desire to lean on God’s understand of these critical, daily issues of life. Why? Because He is the expert! He is the only One that can make our lives full of hope, peace, and joy. He has the complete picture of our present and future. Our understanding is very limited while His is limitless!

What is the solution? V. 6 says it simply and succinctly, “In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.”<sup>1</sup>

Don’t rely on self! Surrender your very being to acknowledge the Lord in all situations, and He will direct our paths. Some have said, “Let Go and Let God”. This verse says, “Don’t grab hold in the first place!” Follow His leadership in all things! To acknowledge Him is to know Him personally, to trust Him explicitly, and to be aware He knows and cares about YOU! “

R. Lynn Snider

Executive Director of South Texas Baptist Association  
Pastor of FBC Rosehill

<sup>1</sup> *The New King James Version*. 1982 (Pr 3:6). Nashville: Thomas Nelson.

Jamieson, Fausset  
and Brown  
Commentary

**Pro 3:5**

**Trust ... heart** —  
This is the center  
and marrow of true  
wisdom

(Pro 22:19;Pro 28:25

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has its

corresponding  
negation in the  
admonition against  
self-confidence.

John Gills  
Exposition of the  
Entire Bible

**Pro 3:5 Trust in the  
Lord with all thine  
heart,....** Not in a  
creature, the best, the  
holiest, and the  
highest; not in any  
creature enjoyment,  
as riches, strength,  
and wisdom; nor in  
any outward privilege,  
arising from natural  
descent and  
education; not in a  
man's self, in his own  
heart, which is  
deceitful; nor in any  
works of  
righteousness done  
by him; not in a  
profession of religion,  
or the duties of it, ever  
so well performed; not  
in frames, nor in  
graces, and the  
exercise of them; no,  
not in faith or trust  
itself: but in the Lord,  
the object of all grace,  
and in him only;

**Prayer**

Thank you heavenly Father for granting us sight to see you through your truth. Thank you Father in giving your son in such a wonderful way. Thank you Father for your forgiveness to such sinners and giving the light of life. What joy it is to know Jesus, what joy it is to know the love of God. Blessed are you O'Lord, blessed is your great and holy name! Amen!