

TRUST IS HARD TO FIND

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Trust is a quality that is often hard to find in today's world. I see a lot of distrust, and the resulting damage to people's lives.

Just recently here in Denver we learned about the man who misrepresented his dealings, and lured many people into his investment scam. Lives were ruined financially and families damaged by his actions. What a shame!

Faith and confidence come to mind along with trust. But to me, faith is the trust I have in my Heavenly Father who has his watchful eye on me to see that I live my life in an acceptable manner, and that I am trustworthy.

Confidence is a necessary quality that we need to go about our lives, day by day. I have confidence that our Security Department is ever watchful and doing their job for us here at Windsor Gardens. I want to have trust that the bank I do business with is an honest and reliable place. And I want to feel confident that the grocery stores are honest and trustworthy. I want to know that when I buy a sack of flour, there is actually the 5 or 10 pounds, as stated on the bag.

I want to believe that the people I associate with are as trustworthy as I think they are. I want to believe that when someone asks for entrance into my building, they are telling me truthfully. I have never had a problem, but not many times have people asked for admittance from me.

Of course there are many unscrupulous people around, waiting to take advantage of us older folks. We are constantly cautioned to be very mindful of stories we hear in that regard. Our building just recently posted a notice on our bulletin board that some young people, posing as kin to those who were contacted, were asking for a goodly sized amount of money. With the right questions, it was determined that one of the callers was indeed a person who was after the elderly couple's money. Luckily the scam was halted in its tracks, at least for this couple. But who knows how many folks were taken in by this scam. Our Security Department continues to remind us to be very wary of such tactics. So far I have not been approached or had phone calls such as this one. Our Attorney General, Mr. Suthers, continues to warn and forewarn us. His office is swamped with unscrupulous people, ready to take advantage of those who might be gullible. Let us hope we are not among them.

The words of a hymn come to mind – "Where wilt thou put thy trust?" I want my trust to be in the right places with the right people. And I want to have confidence placed in the right people also. I do not like to be deceived. One of the Ten Commandments tells us that at all times we must be truthful, therefore it is absolutely just wrong to bear false witness. Let us not be guilty of that.

Be careful where you put your trust.