



## CrossRoads Notes:

Turn your Bibles to Hebrews 13:5-6

### **Title: Walking in the Confidence of God**

**Introduction:** Those who walk in the confidence of God have the marks of contentment. They live a life without covetousness, they are satisfied with what they have, and they experience the constant companionship and care of Almighty God. There is that knowing that the Lord Jesus will never leave them nor forsake them.

“Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, ‘Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.’ So we say with confidence, ‘The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?’” (Hebrews 13:5-6)

**Proposition:** I would propose to you that Christians must be free from the love of money and the things of this world. They must be content with what they have.

**Interrogative Sentence:** Just who makes such a promise and to whom is it extended to?

**Transitional Sentence:** Today’s text shows obedient Christians that God will be with them and will provide what they need. No matter what the call or the need; those who are walking in accordance to God’s directions will have the hand of the Almighty God upon them.

(Hebrews 13:6)

(Deuteronomy 32:39)

Christians can walk in confidence because this God is self-existent.

(John 1:1-3)

(Colossians 1:16-18)

The word “supremacy” (*proteuo*) means to be first, chief, to hold first rank, the highest dignity. The application is that Jesus Christ is given first rank over everything. (The Complete Word Study Dictionary; Word Meaning in the New Testament)

(Matthew 28:18-20)

(Romans 14:11-12)

(Revelation 1:8)

(Acts 17:28) (Psalm 104:14) (Psalm 104:16) (Matthew 6:25-28; 10:29)

**Transitional Sentence:** Christians walk in confidence because they serve not only a God who exist but also a “Providential God.” Christians serve a Lord whose plans and purposes come about.

(Psalms 33:4-11)

(Job 10:12)

The Book of Esther is a remarkable book that shows God’s providence in the life of a person for the redemption of a nation. God’s name is not mentioned in the Book of

Esther and a key purpose of this book is to show the Lord's providential care of His people. In this book we see that God's Providence overrules all things, even in a distant far country and in dangerous situations, God's people are yet in His hands.

(Thru the Bible; The Expositors Bible Commentary; Matthew Henry)

(Esther 4:13-14)

(Esther 4:15-17)

(Esther 5:2; 7:10; 8:1-2)

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**Transitional Sentence:** Christians can walk in confidence, not just because He exists and is providential, but because He is also a personal God.

(Psalm 147:10-11)

(Solomon 7:10)

(Galatians 2:20)

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Do you remember when you first got saved or when you last recommitted you life to Christ? How you often thought of the Lord, made plans to be with Him, do things that please Him and dream big with Him. You had hopes of doing great things with God. How is your prayer life now, in comparison to what it was when you first entered into His service? How much time do you spend in prayerful reading and studying of God's Word? Is there a thirst and hunger for Him and His presence? Have you let what once sparked a heart ablaze for God to be replaced with just a religious observance?

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**In closing:** The promise the Lord made to Jacob (Genesis 28:15), Joshua (Joshua 1:5) and Solomon ((1 Chronicles 28:20) belongs also to the faithful servants of God today. (Matthew Henry) Never will He leave us nor forsake us.