**Proverbs 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.**

**Trust** in Hebrew: *batach* (Stron’gs 982)

* Have confidence in
* Be secure
* Bold; hope in
* Cause to trust; feel safe
* Take refuge in
* To be sure
* To set one’s hope and confidence in

**Lean** in Hebrew: *sha’an* (Strong’s 8172)

* Lean on or against
* Trust in
* Find support
* Trust in God
* Rely; stay
* To rest upon
* To lean on any one’s hand
* To place confident in

**Understanding** in Hebrew: *biynah* (Strong’s 998)

* Understanding; discernment
* Faculty
* Intelligence
* Skill

**Ways** in Hebrew: *derek* (Strong’s 1870)

* Road; distance; journey; path; direction
* Course of life
* Of moral character

**Acknowledge** in Hebrew: yada’ (Strong’s 3045)

* Perceive
* Know
* Acquaint
* Declare
* Teach
* Perceive and see; find out, discern
* Discern
* Discriminate, distinguish
* Recognize, admit
* Be made known
* Be instructed
* Cause to know

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Trust in the Lord. . .

“ Trust … heart—This is the center and marrow of true wisdom” ([www.biblehub.com](http://www.biblehub.com), Jamieson-Fausset-Brown).

**“Trust in the Lord;**wholly and securely rely upon God’s promises and providence for help and relief in all thine affairs and dangers.   
  
**“Lean not unto thine own understanding;**think not to accomplish thy designs by the strength of thine own wit without God’s blessing” ([www.biblehub.com](http://www.biblehub.com), Matthew Poole’s Commentary).

“*Trust in the Lord with all thy heart*— Wholly and securely rely upon God’s wisdom, power, and goodness, and upon his providence and promises, for direction and help in all thine affairs and dangers. *Lean not to thine own understanding —*Think not to [accomplish](http://biblehub.com/commentaries/proverbs/3-5.htm) thy designs by the strength of thine own understanding, without God’s blessing. Under this one kind of carnal confidence he understands all other kinds, such as confidence in bodily strength, wealth, or friends. *In all thy ways —*Designs and undertakings, both respecting the things of this life and those of the life to come; *acknowledge him,* *know him,*namely, practically; or *own him,*his wisdom, by following his counsels; his power and goodness, by expecting success from him; his sovereignty, by managing all thy affairs in such a manner as to please and glorify him; *and he shall direct thy steps —*So that thy ways shall be safe and good” ([www.biblehub.com](http://www.biblehub.com), Benson Commentary).