WHO YOU GONNA TRUST?

This is what the LORD says: "Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who depends on flesh for his strength and whose heart turns away from the LORD. ⁶He will be like a bush in the wastelands; he will not see prosperity when it comes. He will dwell in the parched places of the desert, in a salt land where no one lives. ⁷But blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose confidence is in him. ⁸He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit." Jeremiah 17:5-8 (New International Version)

 THE PERSON WHO TRUSTS IN SOMETHING OR SOMEONE OTHER THAN GOD (Jeremiah 17:5-6)

Two Characteristics

• This person trusts in man.

". . . these men have set up their idols in their hearts . . ." Ezekiel 14:3 (New American Standard Bible)

• This person's heart turns away from God.

Two Results

- This person is cursed.
- This person is barren and unproductive.

But where are your gods that you made for yourself? Let them arise, if they can save you, in your time of trouble; . . . Jeremiah 2:28a (English Standard Version)

• THE PERSON WHO TRUSTS IN GOD (Jeremiah 17:7-8)

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