Who Can We Trust?



Psalm 62:8

Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

I. The "have's" and the "have-nots"

- A. The "have's" were experiencing the good things
- B. The "have-not's" were everybody else

II. The "have-not's" were Anawim

- A. They were the "throw-away" people
- B. They were also referred to as the "dung of the earth"

1 Cor. 4:13 (ESV) We have become, and are still, like the scum of the world, the refuse of all things.

Remember this:

The gospel attracts messy, broken people. So the church is going to be filled with people who just aren't that impressive.

Deut. 4:37-38a - He loved your fathers and chose their offspring after them and brought you out of Egypt with his own presence, by his great power, driving out before you nations greater and mightier than yourselves...

2 Cor. 4:7 (ESV) But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.

III. God used the Anawim to make the 3 big announcements

- A. When Israel will be rescued from slavery
- B. When Jesus was born
- C. The resurrection

Luke 2:8-12; 15-18

8 And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

9 And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear.

10 And the angel said to them, Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy that will be for all people.

11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

12 And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.

15 And it happened as the angels departed from them into Heaven, the shepherds said to one another, Indeed, let us go to Bethlehem and see this thing which has happened, which the Lord made known to us.

16 And they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger.

17 And when they saw it, they made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child.

18 And all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them.