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## The Faithfulness of God

Last week our study of Hebrews 6 called us to examine ourselves in order to discern if we are rejecting God's truth and refusing to repent and grow. This week we turn a corner and are reminded of God's promise to his people. Just as He has been faithful in the past, He will be faithful in the future. He has sworn to us so that His hope can be an anchor for us in hard times. As we live in this tension filled gap-waiting for these promises to come true, we are invited to rest and trust in him.

- 1. Read Hebrews 6:13-20. Based on these verses, what truths give us confidence that God will keep his promises to us.
- 2. There is a gap that occurs between the timing of God's promise and the fulfillment of it. That was true for Abraham; it will be true for us. As you live in this gap, how would you describe the orientation of your heart? How well do you wait?
- 3. What are some obstacles that keep you from moving towards God while you wait for the fulfillment of his promise?
- 4. Because we struggle to believe that He really is our refuge, a great deliverer who has gone before us, we put our hope in inferior substitutes that were never intended to bear the weight of our soul. What are you putting your hope in? If this is difficult to answer, Matt gave three diagnostic questions to help you figure that out: What do you worry about? What do you work for? What do you daydream about?
- 5. How would you live differently this week if you really believed that Christ's performance and God's promises were enough for you? Is there a specific change you can ask God to help you make?