

Bible study for the week starting November 10, 2019 Good & Faithful: Faithful unto Death

After inviting The Holy Spirit to guide your discussions and grow you, look back over your message notes and share with one another any insights from the message that especially got your attention this week.

As we study this topic, we note that the Bible speaks of faithfulness as a primary attribute of God, as a description of some people, as a character flaw when it is missing, and as a fruit of the Holy Spirit. Has this study made you feel more positive or negative as you reflect on your own life?

Note another way that the word Faithful is used in Ephesians 1:1 and Colossians 1:2. Who are they and why are they defined as faithful people.

Read these verses on the faithfulness of God, noting what is being described that makes this adjective to be applied.

1 Kings 8:56	
Hebrews 13:8	
1 Corinthians 1:9	
Philippians 1:6	

It is a joy to read about faithful people from Scripture that are not the most notable and yet are highly praised because of their faithfulness. Read these verses and list the names of those as recognized as faithful and why they were considered to be faithful.

Nehemiah 7:2	
1 Peter 5:8	
Ephesians 6:21	
Colossians 1:7	
Colossians 4:9 _	



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Faithfulness is ...

to have FAITH

to persevere to the end

a PRIMARY characteristic of God Himself

Every time we wonder if He will be faithful toward us: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations. Psalm 100:5

Every time we see a rainbow: "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Genesis 9:17

Every time we pick up a Bible, we can remember that He said,: "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away"

Matthew 24:35

Every time we gather to worship we can remember that He said: "Where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them"

Matthew 18:20

Every time we face trials we can remember His last words: "I will be with you always, even to the end of the world."

Matthew 28:20

When we face death, we hear His faithful assurance: "In my Father's house are many rooms...! am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me. For where I am, there you will be also"

John 14:2-4

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:22-23

Faithfulness is not ... being PERFECT (Moses, David, Paul)

A Faithful person – (Paul & Barnabas-Acts 14)
Points people <u>AWAY FROM THEMSELVES</u> to Jesus <u>PERSEVERES</u>
PROCLAIMS the truth about trials

Developing Faithfulness (allowing your fruit to grow)
Temptations WILL come
Live your spiritual habits
Get BACK UP