Character Matters: Nine Virtues of Those Who Belong to Jesus

Faithfulness: Being A Person People Can Rely On

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The First Six Virtues

- 1. **Love:** Choosing to say and do that which serves the ultimate best interest of another person, even when it requires self-sacrifice.
- 2. **Joy:** Contemplating the over-arching circumstance of God's love for me, trusting in his promises, and seeking my happiness in the happiness of others.
- 3. **Peace:** Guarding my internal calm by total surrender to God's will for me in every area of life and doing all I can to be reconciled to other people.
- 4. **Patience:** Staying calm when others do not do what I want them to do, so that I take Biblically informed action in their best interest.
- 5. **Kindness:** Being ready to help anyone, mindful that everyone is fragile and that God is always ready to help me.
- 6. **Goodness:** Giving generously and wisely to others that which I have been given by God.

What Is Faithfulness?

Telling the truth and keeping my promises, so that I become a person people can rely on.

How to grow in faithfulness:

1	even when it costs.
2	even when it hurts.
3	even when you break it.