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## FAITHFULNESS

### Key Verse

1 Corinthians 4:2 (KJV)

*“Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.”*

### Faithfulness: Definition

“Maintaining faith or allegiance; showing a strong sense of duty or conscientiousness.”

### Introduction

In biblical Hebrew, “faith” and “faithfulness” are grammatically related. Although both concepts are important in the OT, there is no English word exactly equivalent to the Hebrew terms.

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### Human Faithfulness

The major words for faith in both Testaments also connote the concept of “faithfulness.” This indicates that faith is more than momentary assent to the truth of God. It is a commitment

to that truth, and it manifests itself in continued obedience.

### Abraham’s Faithfulness

Abraham’s life in this regard is instructive. He assented to, relied upon, and acted in conformity to the revealed Word of God.

### Faithfulness Is an Attitude

Faithfulness ... is an attitude that should characterize the entire life of those who say they have faith in God. God’s children are called to manifest faithfulness as a fruit of the Holy Spirit (Gal. 5:22; cf. Eph 2:8).

### God’s Faithfulness

[Despite] Israel’s faithlessness (Duet. 32:20; cf. Rom. 3:3), God showed [H]imself to be absolutely reliable.

The pinnacle of faithfulness in the Bible is seen in the work of Jesus Christ, [W]ho showed [H]imself faithful to [H]is Father (Heb. 3:2) and in [H]is witness (Rev. 1:5).

### Old Testament Faithfulness

In the Old Testament, ... the most profound example of [H]is faithfulness is the bond between God and the people of the northern kingdom of Israel. [De]spite their unfaithfulness, God reminds them that [H]e is betrothed to them in faithfulness (Hos. 2:20).

**New Testament Faithfulness**

In the New Testament, God also acts in faithfulness:

- a. He provides for both good and evil people (Matt. 5:45);
- b. [H]e rewards those who do [H]is good will (Matt. 6:4, 6, 18);
- c. [H]e provides a way out for believers [during] temptation (1 Cor. 10:13);
- d. [H]e remains faithful as [H]e fulfills [H]is promises (2 Cor. 1:18–19).

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