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God's grace is the foundation for our faithfulness

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1. Christians believe God and trust Him completely with the future by being faithful in the present.

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Faithfulness includes saying no to sin and yes to the ways of God.

Saying no to sin and yes to God is a matter of obedience, and obedience is a matter of faith.

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2. Christians are called to live differently than everyone else by living to please God in every part of life.

1 Peter 1:17-19 (ESV)

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the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

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3. Christians live their remaining days here on earth with the final judgment of God in mind.

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God's judgement on your life depends totally on the work of Christ on the cross.

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1 Peter 1:20-21 (ESV)

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Things we need to remember and reflect on:

1. Genuine faith reveals itself through the way you live your life.

2. Faithfulness flows from faith, and is rooted in grace

3. Jesus loves you