

FAITHFULNESS

Proverbs 20.6; Luke 16.10-15

Train yourself to be godly. For physical training is of some value, but **godliness** has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come. 1 Timothy 4.7b-8

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, **faithfulness**, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Galatians 5.22-23

Then the LORD came down in the cloud and stood there with him and proclaimed his name, the LORD. And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, 'The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, **abounding in love and faithfulness**, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation.' Exodus 34.5-7

When you look in the Bible you will find more than sixty references to the faithfulness of God. It is not surprising that some forty of these instances occur in the book of Psalms, which recounts, more than any other book in the Bible, the struggles of the godly and their total dependence upon God's faithfulness.

The Lord is **faithful** to all his promises
And **loving** toward all he has made. Psalm 145.13

¹ I will sing of the LORD's **great love** forever;
with my mouth I will make your **faithfulness** known through all generations.

² I will declare that your **love** stands firm forever,
that you established your **faithfulness** in heaven itself. Psalm 89.1-2

1 Corinthians 1.8-9; 10.13; 1 Thessalonians 5.23; 1 John 1.9; 1 Peter 4.19; Hebrews 10.23

Many a man claims to have **unfailing love**,
but a **faithful** man who can find? Proverbs 20.6

The faithful person is one who is dependable, trustworthy, and loyal, who can be depended upon in all of his relationships, and who is absolutely honest and ethical in all of his affairs. It was said of Daniel that his rivals...

...tried to find grounds for charges against Daniel in his conduct of government affairs, but they were unable to do so. They could find no corruption in him, because he was trustworthy [faithful] and neither corrupt nor negligent. Daniel 6.4

The Faithful Person is One Who is HONEST

Proverbs 12.22; 11.1; Leviticus 19.11; James 5.17; John 8.46; Luke 16.10-15

The Faithful Person is One Who is DEPENDABLE

Psalm 15

The Faithful Person is One Who is LOYAL

Proverbs 17.17; Proverbs 27.6

He Has Shown You What is Good

- We Need to Develop **Convictions** Based Upon the Truth – Ephesians 4.22-24; Romans 12.2
- We Need to Make a **Commitment** to Obedience – Psalm 119:4-5, 105-106
- We Need to Become **Disciplined** in Our Choices – Titus 2.11-12
- We Need to Be **Dependent** on The Spirit – Romans 12.2; Philippians 4.11-13
- We Need a God-Centered **Desire** – Psalm 42.1-2

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