



From the Bishop's Heart

The Faithfulness of God

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“For all the promises of God in Him are yea, and in Him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.” When we speak of God’s faithfulness we are speaking in terms of eternity and perfection. God’s faithfulness is like all His other attributes – dependable, trustworthy, resolute, constant, reliable. The issue of God’s faithfulness is a matter of God putting his reputation on the line. We trust God because we have observed His faithfulness in the past.

The Old Testament speaks of the promises God made to Abraham, Noah, and Moses. God also made promises through Isaiah, Jeremiah, Micah, and all the other prophets. All of those promises came true. Whether the promise was for blessing or curse, they all came true.

Because God’s character is faithful, His statements are always true. God promises that His Word will not go out and come back void, or empty. That means there will always be a consequence which results from contact with God’s Word.

God is faithful to His Word, to His promises, to His people. When we hurt He is faithful. It is comforting to know that in the low points in our lives God is with us and He cares. In times of trouble, our hope will fail unless our hope is in God’s faithfulness to keep His promise to never leave us or forsake us – even when we hit rock bottom.

God shows His faithfulness when we sin. We can conquer all temptation with God’s help. There are times when we just cave in and dive head first into the things our sinful nature lusts after. God has promised that when that happens He will forgive.

God has promised to not only forgive our sin but to forget our sin. God offers us a clean slate with our confession, repentance, and faith. When you truly know and believe that God has completely forgiven you, your life takes on a new dimension.

Praise God for His faithfulness to us!

The Master’s Pastor,

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