

I. Reconsidering His Faithfulness

- 1 Cor. 13:7 *Gods Love endures all things*

A. When considering the Faithfulness of God, we must first start with the foundational understanding that He is our creator. Then let us ask ourselves, “What obligation does the uncreated God have to be Faithful to His creation?”

1. (Job 34:13-15, Dan. 4:35, Is. 14:27)

B. In light of the above passages, we are filled with thanksgiving of His goodness and love. Then when we consider the promises in His word, we find that He is unfailing in His Faithfulness to complete them. This is the lens in which we must establish God’s Faithfulness.

C. The Faithfulness of God is often measured by the believer through the lens of circumstance and providence. If things are going well for us, then God is Faithful and Good. However, if our circumstances are difficult or painful, then the common thought is, “God has forgotten us, or doesn’t care about us.”

There are seasons in the lives of all when it is not easy, no not even for Christians, to believe that God is faithful. Our faith is sorely tried, our eyes be dimmed with tears, and we can no longer trace the outworking’s of His love. Our ears are distracted with the noises of the world, harassed by the atheistic whisperings of Satan, and we can no longer hear the sweet accents of His still small voice. Cherished plans have been thwarted, friends on whom we relied have failed us, a professed brother or sister in Christ has betrayed us. We are staggered. We sought to be faithful to God, and now a dark cloud hides Him from us. We find it difficult, yea, impossible, for carnal reason to harmonize His frowning providence with His gracious promises. Ah, faltering soul, severely tried fellow pilgrim, seek grace to heed (Isaiah 50:10), “Who among you fears the LORD? Who obeys the voice of His Servant? Who walks in darkness, and has no light? Let him trust in the name of the LORD, and rely upon his God.” When you are tempted to doubt the faithfulness of God, cry out, “Get behind me, Satan!” (Luke 4:8) Though you cannot now harmonize God’s mysterious dealings with the avowals of His love, wait on Him for more light. In His own good time, He will make it plain to you. “What I am doing you do not understand now, but you will know it after this.” (John 13:7). The sequel will yet demonstrate that God has neither forsaken nor deceived His child. “And therefore the LORD will wait, that He may be gracious to you, and therefore will He be exalted, that He may have mercy upon you: for the LORD is a God of judgment: blessed are all they that wait for Him” (Isa 30:18). (A.W. Pink)

II. He is Faithful to Us and His Promises

A. Fulfilled Faithfulness – **The Savoir** (Is. 53:11, Luke 2:11) **The Land** (Gen 12:7, 26:3, 48:4, Josh. 21:43-45) **Babylonian Captivity and Release** (Jer. 25:11, 29:10, Dan. 9:2, Ezr. 1:1) **The New Covenant** (Eze. 36:25-29, Jer. 31:31-34, Mat. 26:28, Lk 22:20, Heb. 9:15) **Forgiveness of Sin** **The Times and Seasons** (Gen. 8:22, Acts 14:17) **The Resurrection** (Ex. 19:11-16, Jonah 1:17, Mat. 16:21, Acts 10:40) **Giving of the Holy Spirit** (Jn. 14:26, Acts 1:5, Acts 2:4,33) **The Gentile Inclusion** (Hos. 2:23, Zec. 2:11, Is. 65:20, Acts 10:44-48) **Over 350 Prophetic Promises Literally Fulfilled.**

B. Waiting on His Faithfulness – **The King** (Jer. 33:20-22 Ps. 89:35-37, Is:9:7, Lk 1:32-33) **His Return** (Mat. 16:7, 1 Thes. 3:13, 4:14-16, 2 Tim 4:1), **The Dwelling Place** (Lev. 26:11-12, Is. 12:6, Eze. 43:7, Rev. 21:2-3) **Eternal Life** (Jhn 3:15-17, 11:25-26, 1 Jhn 5:11-13) **Glorified Physical Body** (1 Cor. 15:50-54, Phil 3:20-21), **A Great Tribulation** (Dan 12:1, Joel 2:2, Mat. 24:21, Rev. 6-18).

III. His Loving Faithfulness to Us

A. He will never leave us nor forsake us - (Deut. 31:8, 1 Sam 12:22, Is. 8:8-10, 41:17, Mat. 28:20, Heb. 13:5)

B. He will always hear us when we pray – (Job 34:28, Ps. 18:6, 91:15, 145:19, Acts 10:4, John 15:7, 1 John 5:14-15)

C. He will forever sustain our lives – (Ps. 23:6, 37:18, 28-29, Eze. 43:7, Jhn. 3:16, 6:54, Rom. 5:21, 6:23, Titus 1:2)

D. His Faithfulness flows out of His Love – Is. 49:7, Mat. 28:20, 1 Cor. 1:4-9, 1 Thes. 5:23-24, Heb. 10:23, 2 Tim. 2:14)

