A scenic view of a beach with waves crashing onto the shore. The sand is golden-brown and has several footprints scattered across it. In the background, there is a large island or headland under a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds.

What is God Like?
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GOD IS FAITHFUL.

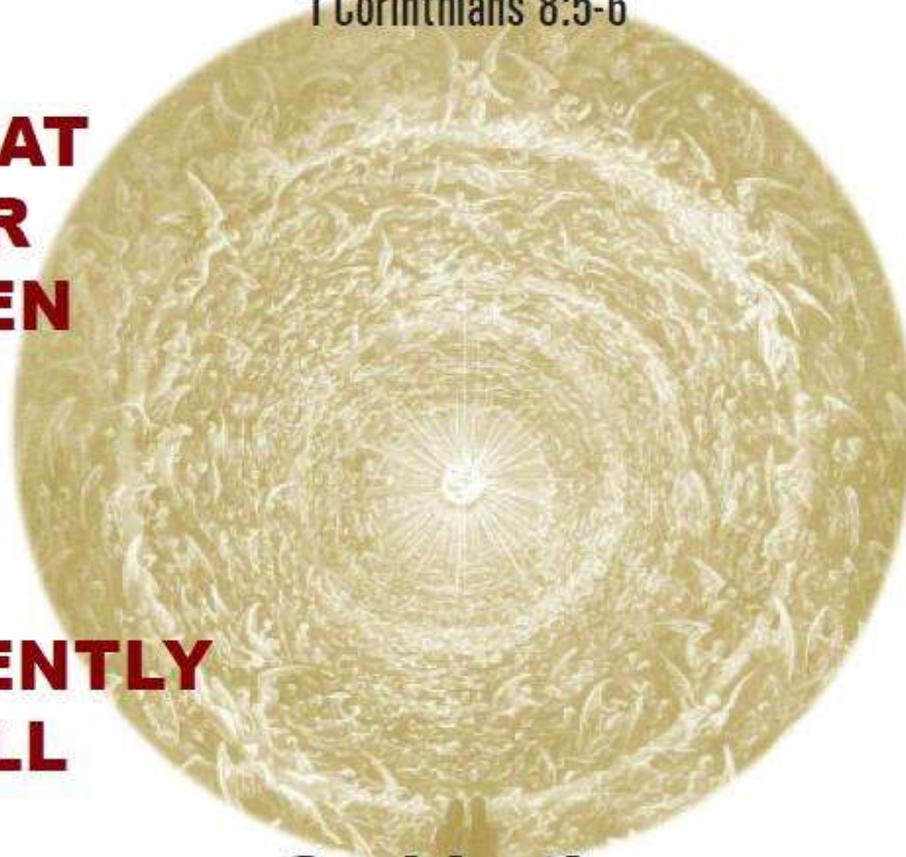
The Nature & Character of God



God reigns

SUPREME OVER ALL THINGS

1 Corinthians 8:5-6



**God has GREAT
RICHES FOR
HIS CHILDREN**

Psalm 104:24

**God is
UNIVERSAL**

Psalm 22:7; 33:14

**God is
TRANSCENDENTLY
ABOVE ALL**

1 Timothy 6:16

**God is
INVISIBLE**

Hebrews 11:27

**God is the
AUTHOR OF ALL TRUTH**

John 17:17

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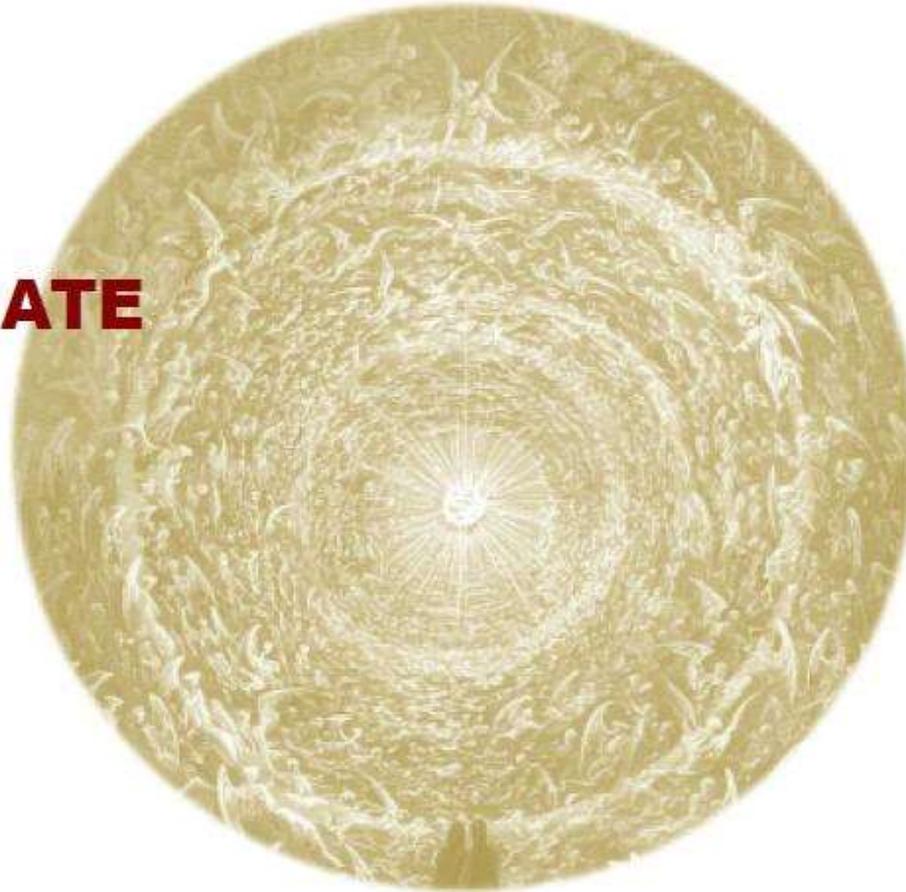


God is **LONGSUFFERING**

2 Peter 3:9

God is
COMPASSIONATE

Psalm 75:35-38



God is
MAJESTIC

Revelation 4:11

God is
KIND

Psalm 51:1

God is
LOVING

Romans 5:8

God is **GENEROUS**

Psalm 68:19

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God is UPRIGHT

Psalm 25:8; 92:5



**God is
RIGHTEOUS**

Psalm 19:9

**God is
MERCIFUL**

Romans 12:1

**God is
GOOD**

Psalm 33:5; 52:1

**God is
FAITHFUL**

Hebrews 10:23

God is GRACIOUS

Psalm 84:11; 116:5

The Nature & Character of God



God is a SPIRIT

John 4:24

**God is
PERFECT**

Matthew 5:48



**God is
TRUE**

Romans 3:4

**God is
HOLY**

Psalms 98:1

**God is
JUST**

Acts 10:34-35

God is GREAT

Psalms 145:3

Attributes of God



ABSOLUTE INFINITY

Infinite in each attribute

ABSOLUTE ETERNITY

God inhabits eternity
Isaiah 57:15

IMMUTABILITY

Unchangeableness of God
James 1:17
Malachi 3:6

TRANSCENDENCE & IMMANENCE

Makes everything outside of Himself

LOVE

1 John 4:8

LIGHT

1 John 1:5

JUST AND THE JUSTIFIER AND RIGHTEOUS

Romans 3:25-26

GOOD

Mark 10:17-18

MERCIFUL

Deuteronomy 4:31
Psalm 136

HOLY & JEALOUS

Joshua 24:19

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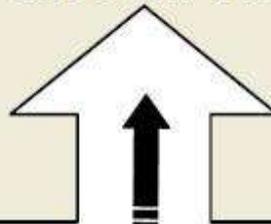


Attributes of God



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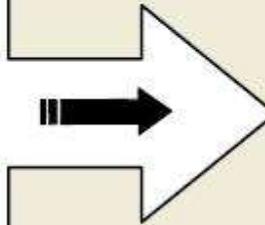
All Powerful
Revelation 19:6



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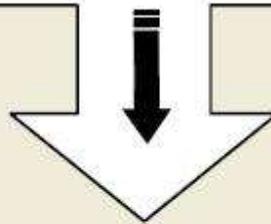
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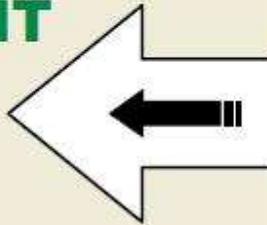
OMNISCIENT

All Knowing
Psalm 147:5



OMNIPRESENT

Present
Everywhere
Psalm 138:7-10



KNOWING GOD – HIS FAITHFULNESS.

We have a faithful Creator!

We can be filled with confidence at those words.

A faithful Creator!

It should be as if - we've inherited a fortune!

A faithful God!

1 Pet 4:19:- “So if you are suffering according to God's will, keep on doing what is right, and trust yourself to the God who made you, **for He will never fail you.**”

NLT (New Living Translation) In the KJV it says:-

"Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to Him in well doing, as unto **a faithful Creator." KJV**

KNOWING GOD – HIS FAITHFULNESS.

In a well-known and great encouraging Psalm 37:3;

"Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shall you dwell in the land, and truly **you shall be fed**".

The Hebrew literally translates:-

"Trust in the Lord, and do good;
so shall you dwell in the land,
and feed on His faithfulness."
or, "**be fed on His faithfulness.**"

So there are two phrases concerning our God.

Peter says **He is a faithful Creator**, and David encourages us to **feed on His faithfulness**.

Now, **faithfulness** is a concept that **isn't very 'in vogue'** in our world today.

In fact, unfaithfulness is one of the outstanding sins of today.

Many **in business** will realize that:- disloyalty and unfaithfulness. And also **in the social realm**, and especially we see it in our world in **the marital realm**, there is **so much infidelity and unfaithfulness**.

Even within the family of God there are men who promise to teach and carry out the word of God as it is written in the apostle's doctrine, right through the whole counsel of God.

But when the world's pressure comes in upon them, or pressure within the church, they fail to walk in those paths of righteousness and **become unfaithful to the word of God**.

Mrs Thatcher was a Methodist but when she became Prime Minister she moved to the Church of England which some used to call the Tory party at prayer.

There is the story of the Baptist couple who when they were poor and had only one horse and trap were faithful Baptists.

When they got on a bit better in the world and had two horses and a trap that second horse always led them to the church of England.

We had two brothers in the church who were millionaires.

When they could not get the power they wanted and felt that people did not give them the respect that they thought their millions entitled them to:-

They moved to the Baptists, promising them that they would use their millions to plant a Baptist church in every village in England.

There is unfaithfulness all around us in every single sphere,
and if we are honest with ourselves we must say
that there are times that we are unfaithful ourselves,
in transactions that we give, in the words that we speak,
and more severely and seriously
in our relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

Because of our unfaithfulness it is almost totally foreign
to us when we read a verse such as Deut 7:9; that says:-
'Know therefore that the Lord thy God, He is God, the faithful God.'

It's remarkable, isn't it, that there's no taint of doubt?
It's absolute, 100%! And it staggers us –
living in an unfaithful world, **living around** unfaithful people,
and when we look at the **unfaithfulness in our own heart:-**

To realise that **there is one who personifies
absolute faithfulness**, there is the
'Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God.'

Areas of God's faithfulness:

- 1. In His testimonies and commandments. - Psalm 119:138;**
- 2. In keeping His promises. - Hebrews 10:23;**
- 3. In providing help in temptation. - I Corinthians 10:13;**
- 4. In preserving His people. - I Cor 1:9; I Thess 3:24; 2 Tim 2:19;**
- 5. In disciplining His children. - Hebrews 12:3-13;**
- 6. In time of trouble. - Job 5:19;**

**It should give us courage to know
that in an "unfaithful generation"
we can lift our eyes to the faithful
God of heaven who never changes.
(Deut. 7:9; Psa. 36:5; 89:8; 1 Tim. 2:13;)**

**Faithfulness never fluctuates with God,
as it does with man; God is eternally dependable.**

KNOWING GOD – HIS FAITHFULNESS.

Paul said to Timothy,
2 Tim 2:13; “If we are unfaithful, he remains faithful,
for he cannot deny himself.”

It doesn't matter what we believe about ourselves,
or what we see in the world around us, it
doesn't matter really **because God is transcendent.**
He is above all of this universe, all of our standards.

In fact He sets His eternal holy standard,
And even if we are unfaithful, He remains faithful
If He was unfaithful, He would deny Himself,
He would topple from His throne
and **He would cease to be God.**

Perhaps one of His most **radiant glories** is **God's holiness**. And this is another. **His faithfulness**.

The Psalmist glorified in it in 89:8;

“O Lord God Almighty!

**Where is there anyone as mighty as you, Lord?
Faithfulness is your very character.”**

God is a strong God, and God clothes Himself:-

**His aura round about Him, His sphere and
environment is absolute faithfulness.**

Again the Psalmist in 36:5; **“Your unfailing love,
O Lord, is as vast as the heavens; your faithfulness
reaches beyond the clouds.”** - in other words,
it is beyond us, it is above us, it spans us.

No wonder that we sing the inspired
word of God from Lam 3:22-33;

**“The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
They are new every morning;
Great is Your faithfulness.”**

God is not a man that He should repent,
nor a son of man.

He does not lie, there is no unfaithfulness in Him,
and we dare not compare Him to men
or men's standards or men's attributes.

Here is where we fall down when
we look at the Lord Jesus Christ.

When we compare Him to other humanity.

Therefore we must - as the hymn writer says:-

“Judge not the Lord with feeble sense,
But trust Him for His grace.

Behind the frowning providence,
He hides a smiling face.

Ye fearful saints fresh courage take,
The clouds ye so much dread
**Are rich with mercy, and shall break,
in blessing o'er your head.”**

**Why? For we have a faithful Creator!
We need that to be branded upon our heart.
OUR GOD IS A FAITHFUL CREATOR!**

Do we feed on His faithfulness?

Do we use that as our diet of the soul?

That's what we need to do, as we look at the word of God, **We need to feed on the great faithfulness of our faithful Creator.**

If we learn to feed on your faithful Creator, we will find mental relief. And that mental relief will go beyond your human suffering.

Because it means that we are beginning to realise that:- There is a God greater than the universe.

Now, I know the **world can be frightening**, and we hear about so many things that can come in upon us, right into our hearts **and grip us with fear and anxiety.** When we realise that **He is faithful,** and **He is our God, we ought to have no fear!**

We know – that to understand God

We must see all His attributes as one.

**He isn't just faithful, He is loving, He is angry,
He is holy, He is omnipotent, all-powerful,
all-knowing, He is omnipresent, He is everywhere.**

**God has many attributes and parts to His being,
but you can't separate those.**

**you can't pull any of them apart and make them
separate or single entities of themselves.**

Universalists teach:- “that it doesn't really matter what you do, God will just love you anyway and take you to heaven.”

But that's taking one of God's attributes and looking at it and forgetting about His justice.

But the justice of God and the love of God together mean that God's justice came down upon Christ and His Grace and Mercy was shown toward me.

It's the same with God's faithfulness, it harmonises with absolutely everything.

For example there is God's righteousness.

**You see, if God was not faithful
what would His righteousness mean?**

It would mean absolutely nothing.

**God cannot go back on His word,
He is absolutely righteous in everything He says
and everything He does and that means
God is faithful in His righteousness.**

Again in His omnipotence.

**In other words He is all-powerful,
He is Almighty God - God never starts
a thing and is unfaithful to finish it.**

**When God starts a thing, God carries it on
and God accomplishes it and
brings it to completion.**

**We can see in His omnipotence,
His faithfulness over-arching it.**

**God is truth, isn't He? He does not just say the truth,
He is the truth. Now, untruth and faithfulness
don't go together, so we see again marked
and stamped on God's truth,
is His attribute of faithfulness.**

His **immutability**, and that simply means
'He does not change', He never changes.

Jesus Christ is the same today,
yesterday and forever, and God is the same.

He never changes, There is never any deviation
or declination in His goodness, or in His grace,
or in His anger, or in His mercy. That **means**
He is absolutely trustworthy, absolutely faithful.

Then there is His wisdom, if He's to be wise then
He has to be faithful - He's got to know
everything before we know it and He is faithful.

We couldn't say that God did something faithfully
if He didn't know all the facts.
if some of the facts were hidden from God
He could make a wrong decision.

He is the all-wise God, and that makes Him faithful!

He's a God of love, and when I know
He is a God of love, and loves me, I can be sure
that He wants only to bring the best out of me.

Isn't that wonderful? You see, the love of God
reeks of the faithfulness of God,
it's got **the grains of faithfulness right through it.**

**Gods Faithfulness, Gods Love, Gods Mercy
and Gods Grace are seen in His Forgiveness.**

**1 John 1:9; says “If we confess our sins,
He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins,
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”**

**We know that verse well, and that speaks of **the
righteousness of God in faithfulness**, doesn't it?**

**If we confess our sins,
He is faithful and just. - Greek word 'righteous.'**

**His faithfulness and His righteousness
are linked together in forgiveness,
isn't that wonderful?
God is faithful in forgiving.**

Because the Saviour died, because the Lord Jesus Christ was crucified and God laid on Him the iniquity of us all, A Righteous and a Holy God can now FORGIVE this is the point. HE CAN NOW FORGIVE RIGHTEOUSLY!

In other words, He's not papering over the cracks. He's not turning a blind eye to our sin. He is being a Holy God and He is Completely, Legally and Righteously pardoning us.

Because of THAT He is faithful and just. Faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

WE can be sure that **God**,
according to His righteousness,
according to His faithfulness,
HAS forgiven **OUR** sin!

HOW do **WE** be sure?

WE can be sure because **HE IS FAITHFUL.**

He's stamped the **seal of His faithfulness upon our soul** if we are saved, if we are trusting in the blood of Calvary, **if we have put your faith in the grace of God found in Christ**, the bleeding Lamb of Calvary. If we have been washed in the Blood, **God will forgive us.**

**The holiness that demanded
a sacrifice provides the Lamb!**

God will provide Himself a Lamb! and He did.

**It is wonderful to think, isn't it, that this God,
this holy God, this faithful God, this righteous God
received the chief of sinners, He did it righteously.**

That's what Paul says in Romans 8:31;

“What shall we then say to these things?

If God be for us, who can be against us?’ - verse 33:-

**“Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's
elect? It is God that justifies.” - or in other words:-**

It is God that counts us righteous!

Who can throw anything at you and say:-
“**You did this, you did that, you did the other?**”

It is God, **God who condemns us,**
it is **God who justly makes us righteous,**
How can anything be against us
when GOD IS FOR US?

Wonder of wonders, **listen to this:**
'He is faithful and just to forgive us' -
faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins,
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.'

No wonder the hymn writer said:-
“**Because the sinless Saviour died,**
My sinful soul is counted free.
For God, the just, is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me.'

GOD IS TRULY FAITHFUL IN FORGIVENESS.

Next in 2 Thessalonians 3:3; we find this verse:-

**“The Lord is faithful, who shall establish you,
and **guard** you from evil.’**

It's lovely to think that **God's guarding us,
in the Greek language that's **a military term,**
it means 'to garrison around.'**

**Think of it! Not even Satan himself can penetrate
the great bulwarks of God's omnipotence!**

We are protected by God.

**Jesus said do not worry about those who can bring
harm to your body be more concerned
about losing your soul.**

Around God's elect there is fiery circle and, if Satan should try or attempt to get in there, he will get scorched because God is faithful to protect us in His omnipotence!

When Satan says to you “You're not a Christian! You couldn't have done what you just did and still call yourself a Christian!”

When Satan is telling you: “You can't go to the meeting the way you are, all that sin that you've been committing all week and you're going to portray that you're this great spiritual Christian?”

If when you have been struggling with your faith and not coming to worship as often and your heart's not in meeting with your brothers and sister any more, you know it, but others don't know it.

Everybody you meet thinks you're OK – and the Devil's telling you:-

“Well, if you come back now everybody will wonder what's happening!

You'll be embarrassed, they'll be surprised because they thought you were alright.”

Are you a Christian wanting to go on with God but the Devil's telling you “You'll never amount to anything, look how many times you've failed before. You've tried that before and, sure, you've failed?”

**Listen: shut Satan up by grasping firm
to God's protecting faithfulness!**

He will establish you.

**yes, the Devil's powerful, in fact he's probably
the most powerful creature that God created.**

**Remember this: that the Lord has beaten him under
the ground by His own blood! He has crushed him.**

**WE shall overcome him by the blood of the Lamb
and the power of His testimony.**

**So don't listen to Satan rather draw closer to God
Grasp hold to the great faithful protecting
power of God and use it!**

When temptations come and when the doubts enter your mind, and the worries, and the fears.

Put an end to them, by putting your trust more firmly in the Love of God in Christ.

Do WE believe God is faithful? Well, step out in Faith in Confidence of the saving power of Jesus.

Paul in Romans 8:18-19; speaks of:-

“What we suffer now is nothing compared to the glory He will give us later.

For all creation is waiting eagerly for that future day when God will reveal who His children really are.”

**The old hymn writer said:-
'When Satan tempts me to despair,
Telling of evil yet within,
Upward I look and see Him there,
Who made an end of all my sin!'**

**Do We look up? He's faithful in forgiving,
and in protecting,
He's faithful also in promising.**

**Heb 10:23; says: "Let us hold fast
the profession of our faith without wavering;
for He is faithful that promised what lies before us.**

It literally reads like this:-

“Let us hold fast the confession of our hope.”

That's what it literally means,
the hope that lies before us.

He is faithful that promised.

In fact, in Heb 10:25; we see this statement:-

“.. as we see the day approaching.”:-

He is coming soon, He's coming for us! And it doesn't matter what the world says, it doesn't matter what some modernistic, liberal theologian says:-
it doesn't alter God's truth
or God's faithfulness in His truth.

**He said it, we can rely on it. It is God's word,
He has promised it. Well might they say:-
'Where is the promise then, of His coming?
Sure, you've been saying this for years!**

Where is the promise?'

**We respond: 'Patience Patience' –
why? For He is faithful that promised!**

**We need to live what we believe. God is faithful?
We need to trust in what He can produce in our life.
What we have longed for, what we have hoped for.**

**What the word of God says
we can have in the Lord Jesus.**

**That is the peace that passes all understanding
because we have been forgiven
and God continues to forgive.**

**Do we see it? This goes for all the promises of God,
We can have faith in them because
they are absolutely faithful, because
they rely on God's truth and God's truth is faithful.**

**Do WE believe God? 'Imagine asking a Christian
“Do you believe God”! Of course I believe God,
aren't I a Christian? Don't I read my Bible? Don't I try
my best, by the grace of God, to live it everyday?'**

We need to believe God and leave those things resting upon His promises.

We can give a loyal agreement to His promises, do we daily take up the faithfulness of God's promises and truly believe? and live like we believe?

Casting all our cares upon Him.

Paul wrote “As surely as God is true, I am not that sort of person.

My yes means yes because Jesus Christ, the Son of God, never wavers between yes and no”.

“He is the one whom Timothy, Silas, and I preached to you, and He is the **divine Yes-God's affirmation.” 2 Cor 1:18-20;**

God is TRUE and His word is TRUTH

The Truthfulness of God; lying is the COMMON sin.

It is the easiest for a person to commit.

It is estimated that the average person tells approximately seventeen lies a day.

Lying is found in every area of life: social, political, business, religious, literary, journalism.

**What was said of Ephraim
could be said of Britain today:-**

**Hosea 11:12; "Israel surrounds me with lies
and deceit, but Judah still trusts in God
and is faithful to the Holy One."**

Society depends upon the truth!

It is Impossible for it to hold together without it. Man must be able to have confidence in his fellow man.

As never before, there is a real need for stressing truthfulness, In a society geared to lying, it is wonderful to know that there is **One to whom we can always turn for the truth = God!**

God has shown His truthfulness time and time again. Isa 25:1;

a. To Adam and Eve. - Genesis 2:1,6-17; (cf. 3:16-24;)

b. To Noah. - Genesis 7-9;

c. To Israel. -Psalm 98:3; Exodus 23:23-31;

d. In sending a Saviour. - Genesis 3:15; (cf. Gal 4:4; John 1 :29;)

e. In keeping all His promises. - Psalm 77:20; 2 Sam, 7:11;

God's truthfulness is His perfect knowledge of all truth and His never contradicting that truth.

God is the source of all truth.

Anything that contradicts His nature is untrue.

Psalm 146:5-6; Numbers 23:19;

Hebrews 6:17-18;

17. “God also bound himself with an oath, so that those who received the promise could be perfectly sure that he would never change his mind.

18. So God has given us both his promise and his oath. These two things are unchangeable because it is impossible for God to lie. Therefore, we who have fled to him for refuge can take new courage, for we can hold on to his promise with confidence.”

In contrast to the truthfulness of God,

Satan is pictured as a liar:- John 8:44;

“For you are the children of your father the devil and you love to do the evil things he does. He was a murderer from the beginning and a hater of truth, there is not an iota of truth in him. When he lies, it is perfectly normal; for he is the father of liars.”

Therefore, those who lie are of the devil:-

“Jesus said to the people who believed in him,

“You are truly my disciples if you keep obeying my teachings. And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” John 8:31-32;

Acts 5:3; Is a good example of Satan encouraging people to lie.

**Since God is truthful and the source of truth,
we are assured that we can
know the truth in religious matters.**

John 18:38; Pilate's question "what is truth"

has been answered in various ways:

Truth is relative - may vary from person to person.

Truth is pragmatic - anything that works or
satisfies.

Truth is unattainable.

Truth is consistency with the facts.

**John 1:17; "For the law was given through Moses;
grace and truth came through Jesus Christ."**

Our quest for religious truth ends with God's Word:-

**John 17:17; "Make them pure and holy through
teaching them your words of truth."**

May we Listen and learn from the words of Prov 23:23:

"Get the truth and don't ever sell it; also get wisdom, discipline, and discernment."

12:22; "The Lord hates those who don't keep their word, but He delights in those who do."

As God is 'true', and His word is 'faithful',

"As God is faithful, our word toward you was not yes and No. For all the promises of God in Him are yes, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us."

Just as all the Old Testament promises, were fulfilled and filled up in our Lord Jesus Christ and His coming? The promises of the New Testament are fulfilled in us!

That word **'Amen'** just means **'let it be so.'**

Will **WE** **let it be so?**

Will we start believing in God?

Start trusting that He will produce in our life what we have longed for, what we have hoped for, what the word of God says we can have in the Lord Jesus.

There was a saintly old grandmother, she was a godly woman.

She used to rejoice in the promises of God.

She would rock in her rocking chair with the Bible open on her knee, looking at her favourite passages.

There was times that she would doze off in that old chair, and wake up again, began to read. But there was one day she dozed off, she never awoke. The Bible was left open on her knee.

When her family came in and found her, they took that Bible home.

Her son began to read it day by day with his wife. As they were reading, they would come across little passages, and etchings and jottings that she had made at the side of the margin.

They would find these two letters 'TP' all the time, right beside verses. And they noted it, and they didn't know what it meant until **eventually they came to it written in full beside one promise.**

She had written: **'Tried and Proved'**.

How many promises can we write that beside?

God is a forgiving God, and many of us can

write the same:- **TRIED AND PROVED** in

so many ways and through so many experiences?

**GOD IS TRULY FAITHFUL
TRIED AND PROVED.**

God sanctifies us. He is faithful in sanctifying.

“Now may the God of peace make you holy in every way, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless until that day when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again. God, who calls you, is faithful; He will do this.” 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24;

**Christians want to be holy
because God's life is in them!**

That's why God has called us to be holy in our lives.

But how hard it is to be holy, I don't underestimate that, but God calls us to it. But God, as always, never calls unless He enables:-

He calls us to be holy, and in 1 Thess 5:24 says:-
”...**who also will do it**”.

He's going to do it, don't you worry about it,
He will make us Holy, He'll do it!
But the implication there is:- **if we will let Him.**
He WILL make us Holy but only if we let Him

If we don't want to be holy, He's not going to make us holy. But God will be faithful in enabling us and empowering us if we are willing to let Him work in our lives sanctifying us.

The God that calls us to be holy is faithful in His holiness and will do it! **We need to encourage one another to take the challenge to take that step towards God in holiness.**

**Don't fear it will fail, don't fear it will go wrong
like all the other times, but
just believe that God is faithful and will do it!**

**God is faithful in temptation. 1 Corinthians 10:13;
“remember that the temptations that come into your
life are no different from what others experience,
but God is' (let's hear it) 'faithful.'**

**“He will keep the temptation from becoming
so strong that you can't stand up against it.
When you are tempted, he will show you a way out
so that you will not give in to it.”**

That is the faithfulness and wisdom of God.
We often think Boy! this temptation's terrible,
you don't know what I'm going through.
It's alright for you, you do not have my problems.

Sometimes temptation is put in our way
but more often than not,
WE put ourselves into the way of temptation.

Because we are a child of God Satan is out to get us,
to trip us up, to help us fall!

Listen, think about it, it's Satan who says:-

**'Oh, here we go again, you know you want it,
you know you like it!**

Why don't you give into it like you've always done!'

God tempts no man,

that's what the word of God says:-

We cannot blame God for our temptation.

**He is not interested in breaking us,
in dragging us down and destroying us.**

**Under God's permissive will, temptations are
allowed to come into our lives but not to break us,
but rather to strengthen us.**

For God is faithful, He makes a way of escape.

He will help you be able to bear it!

One of the open secrets to temptation in life is to see it as God sees it and that's not to trip us up, it's because **God is wise and God is faithful.**

Just like the rough winds and the rains **strengthen the little sapling of a tree** until it grows stronger, and stronger, and stronger, until it can withstand those greater winds that nearly blew it over before.

God is just tempering the wind for us so that we can get stronger, and stronger, and stronger, **until we are in glory and we are like Christ.**

He will keep us strong right up to the end.
He will keep us free from all blame on the great day
when our Lord Jesus Christ returns.

God will surely do this for us, for he always
does just what he says, and he is the one who
invited us into this wonderful friendship with
His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. 1 Corinthians 1:8-9;

God is faithful in keeping.

God WILL get us there! isn't that wonderful?

God will get us there!

When no one else could get us there,
He by His own blood will get us there.
And **one day,** because **He is a faithful God,**
because He said it,
we will stand before Him righteous, pure.

Peter says we are **kept by the power of God through faith**, unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the last day.

The old Christian was gardening and a man stopped by him and said: '**How are you keeping?**', he replied:- '**I'm not just keeping, I'm kept!**'.
Isn't that beautiful?

We are saved by the **Grace of God through the Blood of Christ** and if we remain faithful

We don't need to worry!

Because we are **kept** in that saved state!

Cradled in the everlasting arms of God!

**'The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose
He will not desert to its foes.**

**That soul, though all hell should endeavour to shake
He'll never, no never, no never, forsake!**

**Will we trust in His faithfulness now?
Will we hold on to God's faithfulness?**

THE GOD WE SERVE

“Made the world and everything in it...”

“is Lord of heaven and earth.”

“Does not dwell in temples made with hands.”

“is Not worshiped with men’s hands...”

“Made from one blood every nation of men.”

“Determined man’s times & the boundaries.”

“He is not far from each of us.”

“In Him we live and move
and have our very being.”

“Spirit – Divine Nature.”

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Acts 17:30-31 (NKJV)

**“Truly, these times of ignorance
God overlooked, but now
commands all men everywhere to repent,
because He has appointed a day on which
He will judge the world in righteousness
by the Man whom He has ordained.**

**He has given assurance of this to all
by raising Him from the dead.”**

To have that hope of eternal life:-

We need to **BELIEVE** In Jesus.

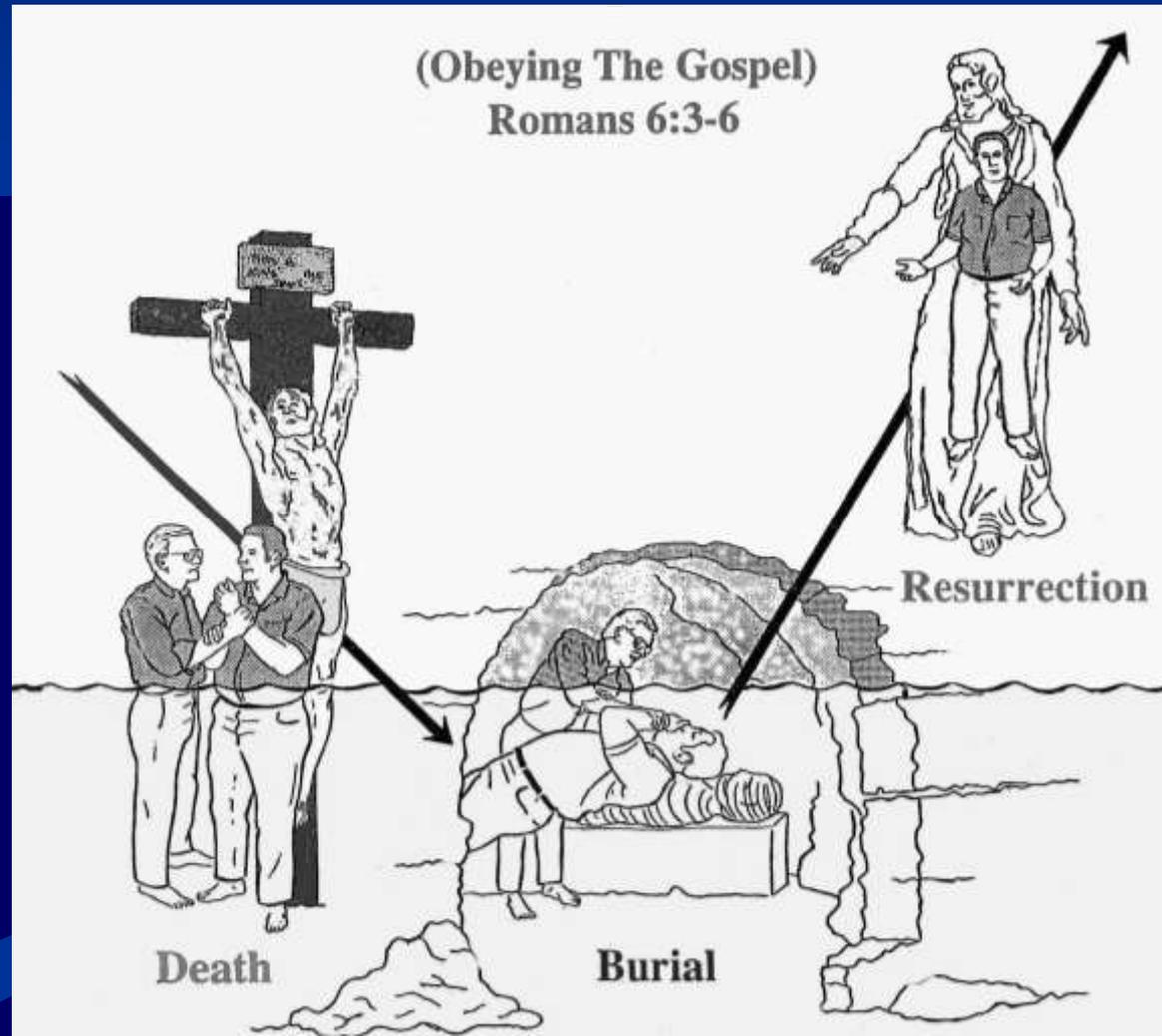
We need to **DIE** with Jesus.

Be **BURIED** with Him in Baptism.

If **WE** are **UNITED** with Him.

We will be **RAISED** like Him.

Rom 6:3-4;



May our prayer be:-

“Father, we thank You that You are FAITHFUL.
Lord help us to tell people **that You are FAITHFUL!**
Help us to **KNOW** both intellectually
and by experience, **that You are FAITHFUL**
and learn that in our lives we can rely upon You.

We ought not worry, fear, fret, but feed upon
Your great faithfulness, for we have,
even in our suffering - **a faithful Creator.**
Lord, **we believe – but help us in our unbelief today,**
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we pray.”

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