

The Fruit of the Spirit – Faithfulness

Foundations of Faithfulness - Hebrews 11:1-40

1. Write in your own words the biblical definition of faith:
2. How are we to apply faith to our daily living?
3. How much faith is required to be faithful and pleasing to God?
4. How does God demonstrate that He is faithful in this study?
5. From verses 32-38, what deductions do you make about faith and how it functions?
6. How has God's faithfulness been demonstrated even to people who are not perfect?
7. How does God's faithfulness bring hope to all who are so human?

When Others Fail to be Faithful - Malachi 2:10-17; 3:13-18

8. Has anyone ever broken a commitment made to you? How did you feel and how did you react?
9. What is the connection between God and the faithfulness of His people?
10. How does God respond when His people are faithful? When they are unfaithful?
11. In Malachi 3:13-18, what are the blessings and benefits that God will bestow on the faithful?
12. What is the distinction "between those who serve God and those who do not" (verse 18)?

God's Promise of Support - Joshua 1:1-9

13. Has there been a time in your life when you dealt with a challenge that seemed too big to handle alone?
14. What are the promises that God gave to Joshua? Why were they so encouraging?
15. In v.5 God promises, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." List other scriptures that say the same:

16. What is there about the Word of God that can help and strengthen us?

17. How do you think these promises made to Joshua apply to you and your situation today?

18. How do the lessons of this passage help you to become bold, strong, and courageous in your daily living?

God's Promises to be There - Lamentations 3:19-26; Ruth 1:1-22

19. Why does the writer of Lamentation have hope while apparently in a desperate situation?

20. Why is God faithful?

21. What should our response be to the faithfulness of God?

22. How has God's faithfulness been recently demonstrated in your life?

23. Why is faithfulness such an important quality of lasting relationships?

24. What does Ruth's declaration of commitment in verses 16-17 say to you about faithfulness?

25. What do you think will be the ultimate rewards God gives to people who are faithful?

The Rewards of Faithfulness - Matthew 25:14-30

26. What is the Master expecting of these servants? Is He still expecting the same things from us today?

27. What are some of the resources, abilities, or talents which God has given you?

28. What are the faithful servants rewarded for? What is the unfaithful servant punished for?

29. Do you think the Master will require the same kind of results from us on judgment day?

30. How can the principles of this parable be applied to your relationships today?

31. Why is faithfulness such an important part of the Christian life?