

“The Purposeful Priority of Faithfulness”

1 Corinthians 1:7-9

The job market is wide open in America with companies offering signing bonuses and higher salaries to attract good people. Jesus is also hiring. The Kingdom of God is wide open to anyone who wants to work for Jesus. However, like any corporation, faithfulness is a key quality that Jesus looks for in people that he has on his team. Building a church requires faithful people who demonstrate commitment to God and each other. Today’s teaching will explain why that is the case.

#1. GOD IS FAITHFUL IN ALL HIS DEALINGS WITH US

- A. God abounds in love & faithfulness, Exo 34:6
- B. God remembers his love & faithfulness to Israel, Ps 98:3
- C. God’s faithfulness can be relied on, Ps 26:3
- D. God’s people praise him for his faithfulness, Ps 71:22
- E. God – the Son – will keep you to the end, 1 Cor 1:7-9, 1 Pet 1:4-5

#2. GOD EXPECTS US TO BE FAITHFUL TO HIM

- A. Faithfulness – the Great Commandment, Mat 22:34-40
- B. Faithfulness – the Great Commission, Mat 28:16f
- C. Faithfulness - be devoted (*proskartereō*) to your church, Acts 2:42

#3. GOD - THE HOLY SPIRIT - CULTIVATES FAITHFULNESS IN US

- A. Faithfulness is a fruit of the Spirit, Gal 5:22
- B. Faithfulness is a quality of Spirit-filled believers
- C. Faithfulness is necessary to build a church

#4. GOD EVALUATES OUR FAITHFULNESS

- A. In this life: be faithful with little & God gives you more, Luke 16:10-12, Mat 25:21, 23
- B. In the next life: The Judgment Seat of Christ, 2 Cor 5:10

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Discuss the attributes of God revealed to Moses (Exo 34:6-7).
2. Why are love and faithfulness linked together in many passages of Scripture?
3. What is significant about God remembering his faithfulness to Israel?
4. What is comforting about being able to rely on God’s faithfulness? (Ps 26:3)
5. Why should we praise God for being faithful to us?
6. In what sense will the Lord keep us to the end of the age? (1 Cor 1:7-9)
7. Discuss the implications of the word devoted from Acts 2:42.
8. If a very gifted person isn’t faithful in discharging her duties, how does that effect the church?
9. Discuss the implications of being faithful with little before God gives you more. (Luke 16:10-12, Mat 25:21, 23)
10. How should knowing that we face the Lord at the Judgment Seat of Christ incentivize us to be faithful? (2 Cor 5:10)
11. How do cultural trends in America inhibit faithfulness, reliability, and commitment?
12. What is your takeaway from this teaching?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS MORNING'S TEACHING

Pastor Bruce is concluding his series "Purposeful Priorities of Discipleship" with a very important teaching on the priority of faithfulness.

NEXT WEEK

Begins the new teaching series titled "Breaking Out of Legalism." For those of you who have Bruce's book the message will be based on chapters 1-3. You can read ahead and gain further insights through the book.

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Tuesday Prayer at 7:00pm

Wednesday Bible Study at 6:30pm

Go to the online meeting room on our website (hillcrestRoseville.com) to access the gathering.

YOGA FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Saturday 10am yoga is postponed until further notice due covid.

BOOKS FOR THE NEXT SERMON SERIES ARE AVAILABLE

Pastor Bruce's book on legalism is available in the back of the sanctuary for \$20, or any donation. The book is also available on amazon in the kindle format. All proceeds of the book go into the building fund.

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to

Hillcrest Church

Love God, Love Each Other!

*for I have always been mindful of your
unfailing love and have lived in
reliance on your faithfulness.*

Psalm 26:3

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