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We suggest that you print pages 2 - 6 and distribute them to your students.



Topic: God is faithful



Read the Bible References:

The Bible references can be read by different children if possible. Or the teacher can read them.



Goal of Lesson:

- To explain the faithfulness of God to students.



Lesson Takeaway:

God is always faithful. He keeps His promises. You can trust in Him.



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Bible References:

Genesis 17: 1 – 22: 21:1 – 7;
Hebrews 10:23;
2 Thessalonians 3:3.



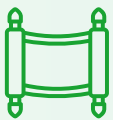
What does it mean to be faithful?

To be faithful means to be reliable and trustworthy. It means you are consistent in your actions and promises.

Simply, to be faithful means you do what you say you will do. When you make a promise, you always keep it. Well, do you know anyone who always keeps their promises? That hasn't said, "Oh, sorry, I know I said that before, but I can't do it right now?"

Well, God is not a man. God does not tell lies. He always keeps His promises. That is why He can be trusted. God is faithful – that is His nature.

We can be sure of God's faithfulness to His promises.



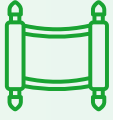
How did God show His faithfulness in the Old Testament?

Let's look at some examples of God's faithfulness in the Old Testament.

1. Promise to Abraham.

Abraham, described as a friend of God, loved God very much. But Abraham and his wife, Sarah, wanted a child and could not have one.





How did God show His faithfulness in the Old Testament? (contd.)

Then, God made a promise to Abraham. He said, “I will make you a great nation I give to you and your descendants after you the land in which you are a stranger, all the land of Canaan, as an everlasting possession” (Genesis 12:1-3; 17:4-8). Abraham and Sarah waited for a long time, but God kept His promise to Abraham.

2. Israel’s deliverance.

For a very long time, the people of Israel were slaves in Egypt. It seemed they would never be free from their slavery. But God had already said that even though they would be slaves in Egypt, he would set them free (Genesis 15: 13 – 16). Many years later, with Moses as the leader, the people of Israel walked out of Egypt as free people (Exodus 3:7 – 10).

3. Journey through the wilderness.

As the people of Israel journeyed through the wilderness, God showed his faithfulness by providing for them. He gave them manna, quail and water to drink. He cared for them and protected them from enemy nations (Exodus 16:4 – 35; 17: 1 – 16).



How did God show His faithfulness in the New Testament?

Now, let’s look at some examples of God’s faithfulness in the New Testament.

1. The promise of a Saviour.

In Isaiah 7:14, God promised that “the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel”. In Matthew 1:21 – 25, the promise was repeated to Joseph and eventually fulfilled. God kept His promise of sending us a Saviour, Jesus, who died on the cross to save us from our sin.





How did God show His faithfulness in the New Testament? (contd.)

2. The promise of forgiveness from sin.

In 1 John 1:9, we have the promise that if we sin and confess our sins, we will be forgiven and cleansed. This can only happen because God is faithful and just – He does what is right.

If we look through the bible, God forgave all the people who asked for forgiveness. Like Jesus telling the woman caught in adultery, “Go and sin no more” (John 8:11), or a man who was paralysed, “your sins are forgiven you” (Matthew 9:2), or even the thief on the cross, “today, you will be with me in Paradise (Luke 23: 42 – 43).

3. The promise of power.

When Jesus was about to ascend to heaven, He told His disciples that they would be filled with the power of the Holy Spirit so that they can have the boldness and courage to tell others about the good news (Acts 1:4 – 8).

In Acts 2:1 – 4, the Holy Spirit came, and they were all filled with His power.



How has God been showing His faithfulness to us today?

1. Sometimes, we don't know what to do about a situation. Then, we pray and ask God to help us make the right choice. God answers our prayers, and we experience His faithfulness.

God promised that when we call Him in prayers, He will answer us (Jeremiah 33:3; Psalm 91:15; Matthew 7:7). Can you think of any time you prayed for something, and God answered? That is God's faithfulness in action.





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How has God been showing His faithfulness to us today? (contd.)

2. God has promised to always be with us (Matthew 28:20). Every day, we see that God keeps us safe during the day, at night, at home, in the school, everywhere we go.

God protects and watches over us and this shows that God is faithful to His promise.

3. Life can be hard. We can feel hurt and pain by what someone does or says to us. Our parents might just be having a hard time too. We can have a hard time at school too. During these hard and difficult times, God has promised His comfort through the Holy Spirit.

We are never alone and because God is with us, we can get over the hurt and pain and even feel peace and joy (Psalm 46:1 – 3; Philippians 4:7).



How should you respond to the faithfulness of God?

God is faithful. He never tells lies. He will never make a promise to you if He can't keep the promise.

Read God's promises in the bible and believe them. Think on His promises often. Pray about them too. When you are in a difficult situation, remember His promise for you and receive the joy and peace God brings to your heart.

Thank God for fulfilling His promises to you and your family.

Share His promises with your friends at school, in your neighbourhood or at church.





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Memorize:

Psalm 36:5 – Your mercy, O LORD, is in the heavens; Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.



Questions:

1. Mention three examples of how God has been faithful to you and your family.
2. Mention three promises in the bible that reminds you that God is faithful.



Remember:

God is always faithful. He keeps His promises.
You can trust in Him.



Let us pray: Dear God, thank You because You are always faithful. You have always been faithful from the beginning of time. You will never change. Help me to continue to trust in You as a faithful Father and Friend. I ask this in Jesus' name, amen.



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