



What it Means to be Faithful

1 Corinthians 4:1-2

Faithful..

- **A quality everyone admires**
- **Heb “Qal” to support, confirm, uphold, nourish**
- **Greek “pistos” trustworthy, reliable, dependable**
- **Webster: steadfast in affection or allegiance, firm in adherence to promises or in observance of duty**
- **Can you be depended on?**

God sets the standard..

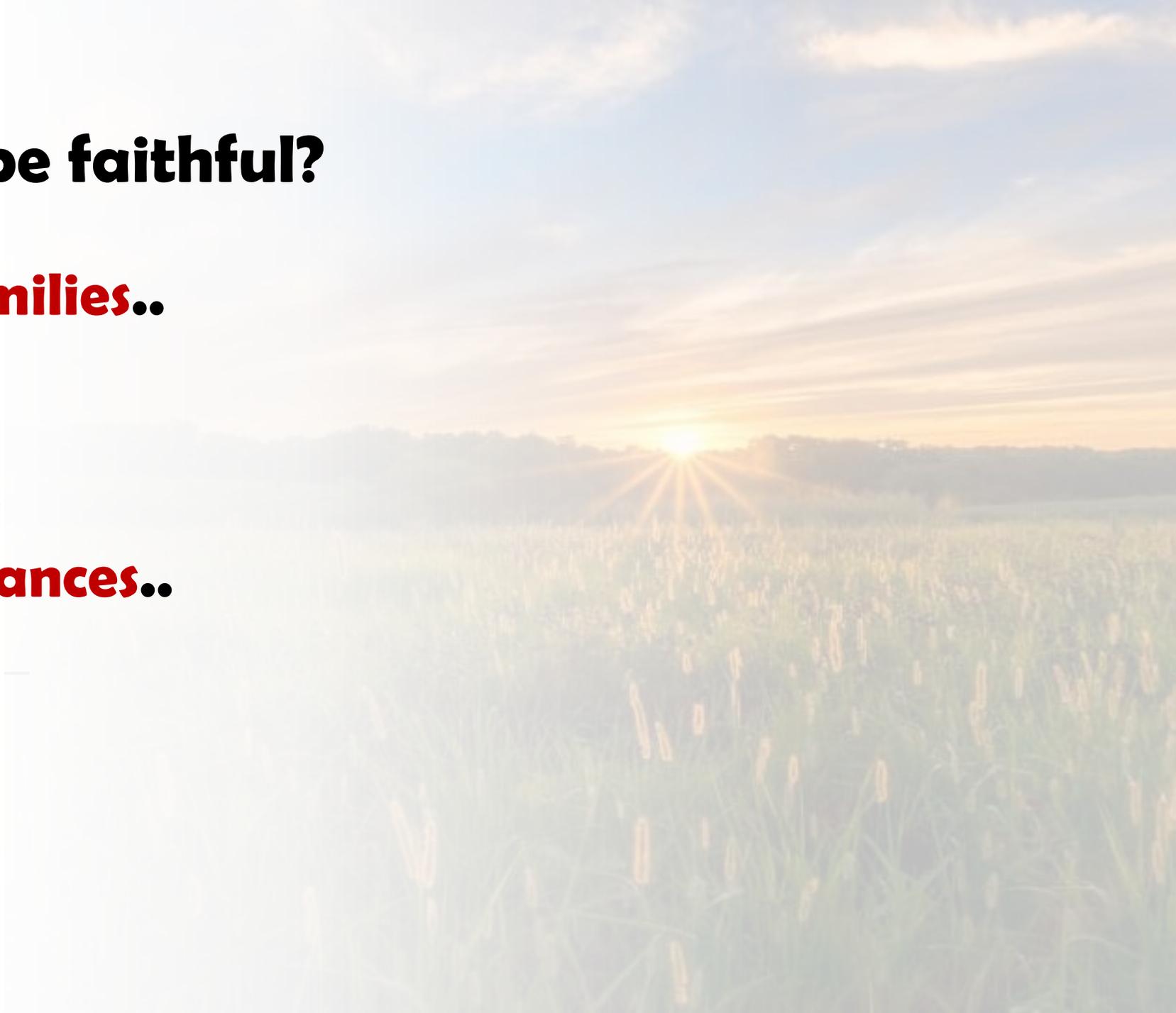
- **Deut 7:9** “Therefore know that the LORD your God, He *is* God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments;
- **Psalms 36:5** Your mercy, O LORD, *is* in the heavens; Your faithfulness *reaches* to the clouds.
- **1 Cor 1:9** God *is* faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- **Heb 10:23** Let us hold fast the confession of *our* hope without wavering, for He who promised *is* faithful.

God requires faithfulness

- **Matt 25:23** His lord said to him, 'Well *done*, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'
- **Luke 16:10** He who *is* faithful in *what is* least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in *what is* least is unjust also in much.
- **1 Cor 4:2** Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.
- **Gal 5:22** the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness

Where should we be faithful?

- Faithful in **our families**..
 - Joshua 24:15
 - Proverbs 22:6
 - Eph 5:22-25; 6:1-4
- Faithful in **our finances**..
 - Matt 6:19-21, 24
 - Luke 16:8-10
 - 1 Cor 16:1-2
 - 1 Tim 6:17-19



Where should we be faithful?

- Faithful to **our friends**..
 - Proverbs 17:17; 18:24; Prov 27:17
 - John 15:13-17; Gal 6:2
- Faithful to **our fellowship**..
 - Romans 12:5; 1 Cor 12:20-26
 - Hebrews 10:24-25
- Faithful to **our faith**..
 - John 17:20-21; Eph 4:1-3
 - Acts 20:28; 2 Tim 3:14-17

Our Motivation..

- **God's faithfulness to us..**

- **2 Timothy 2:12-13** If we endure, We shall also reign with *Him*. If we deny *Him*, He also will deny us. ¹³ If we are faithless, He remains faithful; He cannot deny Himself.

- **Will He find you faithful?**

- **Luke 18:8** And shall God not avenge His own elect who cry out day and night to Him, though He bears long with them?
⁸ I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?"



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