



THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

PART 6: FAITHFULNESS

FAITHFULNESS -- trustworthiness and steadfastness in the life of the believer. The character of one who can be relied on. Steady, a promise keeper, dependable.

Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. Lamentations 3:22-23

*And he passed in front of Moses,
proclaiming, “The Lord, the Lord, the
compassionate and gracious God, slow
to anger, abounding in love
and faithfulness, Exodus 34:6*

*He will cover you with his feathers, and
under his wings you will find refuge;
his faithfulness will be your shield and
rampart. Psalm 91:4*

The living...praise you, as I am doing today; parents tell their children about your faithfulness. Isaiah 38:19

Faithfulness is a high value to God,
and a quality that he blessees and
rewards.

*The Lord rewards everyone for their
righteousness and faithfulness.
1 Samuel 26:23*

Parable of the talents: Matthew 25: 14-30

To one he gave five talents, to another, two, and to another, one, each according to his own ability; and he went on his journey. The one who had received the five talents immediately went and did business with them, and earned five more talents. ¹⁷ In the same way the one who had received the two talents earned two more. ¹⁸ But he who received the one talent went away and dug a hole in the ground, and hid his master's money.

19 “Now after a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. 20 The one who had received the five talents came up and brought five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you entrusted five talents to me. See, I have earned five more talents.’ 21 His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter the joy of your master.’

²² “Also the one who had received the two talents came up and said, ‘Master, you entrusted two talents to me. See, I have earned two more talents.’ ²³ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter the joy of your master.’

24 “Now the one who had received the one talent also came up and said, ‘Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed. 25 And I was afraid, so I went away and hid your talent in the ground. See, you still have what is yours.’

*²⁶ “But his master answered and said to him,
‘You worthless, lazy slave! Did you know that
I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I
did not scatter seed? ²⁷ Then you ought to
have [put my money in the bank, and ^[h]on my
arrival I would have received my money back
with interest.²⁸ Therefore: take the talent away
from him, and give it to the one who has the
ten talents.’*

29 “For to everyone who has, more shall be given, and he will have an abundance; but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away. 30 And throw the worthless slave into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Matthew 25: 14-30

SEVEN TRUTHS
ABOUT
FAITHFULNESS:

**1. God expects us to be faithful
with the resources that he has
entrusted to us.**

2. If we're faithful in the little things, he will entrust us with more.

His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter the joy of your master.'

“If you are faithful in little things, you will be faithful in large ones. But if you are dishonest in little thing, you won’t be honest with greater responsibilities. Luke 16:10 NLT

3. Faithfulness grows in
small moments.

*Now it is required that those who have been
given a trust must prove faithful.*

1 Corinthians 4:2

4. Our greatest reward for our faithfulness will be experienced in the life to come.

5. Faithfulness is necessary to build God's church and kingdom.

*And the things that you have heard from
me among many witnesses, commit
these to faithful men who will be able to
teach others also. 2 Timothy 2:2*

6. Faithfulness is a sign of maturity.

7. Reflects the character of God.