

15-5-19 AM

## The Faithfulness of God

Text: Deuteronomy 7:7-11

**Introduction:** As we rapidly approach the end of this year, it seems as though the only thing that is constant is the fact that everything is changing. Sometimes change brings growth and improvement, and other times change brings fear and instability.

8-track → cassette → CD → MP3, etc.

- **Technologically** – from 8 track to cassette to CD, from a few thousand on Internet to millions, and internet traffic is doubling every 100 days.
- **Socially** – A man's word is rarely his bond. Marital problems are the norm. Video games and rock music have evolved.
- **Politically** – Nationalism is declining, globalism growing
- **Religiously** – Many churches, in attempt to accommodate are teaching less doctrine, changing or eliminating the altar call.

Yet in this hour of human history, with more change in one year than took place over hundreds of years in the past, I serve a God who does not change... a God who is faithful and true.

Malachi 3:6

For I am the Lord, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

Here in our text, verse 9, Moses reminds us, the Lord thy God, He is God, the faithful God.

**Note** – Human nature cannot be relied upon, but we can trust in a God whose faithfulness upholds the world at this very moment.

### I. He Is Faithful In His Character – Verse 9a

Character – "To do right"

**Note** – His very personality and character are reliable

Isaiah 46:9-Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me.

A. **Truthful** – He keeps His Word!

Psalm 119:160-Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth forever.

III – If you are driving and see a sign – "Dangerous curve ahead" – you have three choices:

- ✓ (1) Slow down
- ✓ (2) Ignore – maintain speed
- ✓ (3) Defy – accelerate – **your response will not change the sign**

John 14:6-Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Romans 3:4-God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged.

Deuteronomy 32:4-He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth without iniquity, just and right is he.

B. **Unchangeable** (Immutability)

James 1:17

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

**Note** – God is not like a yo-yo. ~NO~ yo-yo

### II. He Is Faithful In All Conditions – Verse 8

**Note** – It has always been God's desire to meet the needs of His people.

A. Provision of **physical** needs

Genesis 8:22-While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

**Note** – This planet annually produces enough food for our physical needs.

Psalm 37:25-I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

B. Provision of **emotional** needs – verse 8a

BECAUSE THE LORD LOVED YOU ---

**Note** – Love is more than an emotion—it is an action of my will under the direction of the Lord.

**Note** – Speaking to the children of Israel

✓ **Jeremiah 31:3**-The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with loving-kindness have I drawn thee.

**Lamentations 3:22**-It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not.

**Note** – If we look to men to encourage us we will often be discouraged. But if you will look to the Cross, you will see, His compassion fails not, His love endures, His Spirit comforts.

c. Provision of **spiritual** needs

**Note** – Our spiritual sustenance comes from the Word of God.

**Psalm 119:89**-Forever, O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven.

**Psalm 119:138**-Thy testimonies that thou hast commanded are righteous and very faithful.

**Note** – God's Word will fill you up. Thank God, He will provide our needs—physically, emotionally, and spiritually!

### III. He Is Faithful In His Covenant – Verses 9-10

A. His promise, His "Oath" to save <sup>19-25</sup> *"...so help me God" (courtroom oath)*  
*Heb. 6:13-19*

**Hebrews 7:24-25**-But this man, because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood. Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

**Note** – You can come to God only through Jesus!

B. His promise to keep

**2 Timothy 1:12**-For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed; for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

C. His promise to forgive

### **1 John 1:9**

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

#### **Conclusion:**

- He is faithful in His Character.
- He is faithful in All Conditions.
- He is faithful in His Covenant.  
And...
- He Invites us to Abide with Him. *~ to be faithful to Him!*