

The Faithfulness of God

(Deuteronomy 7:9-11)

In 2018, we have considered the “Heaven Bound” theme in a variety of different ways. One thing we have not emphasized as much is the faithfulness of God concerning His promises.

If we are truly going to be “Heaven Bound for Certain” then we must trust that God is faithful to do what He has promised concerning our salvation.

I. The faithfulness of God is promised.

- A. This is in fact one of the great promises in the Bible.
 - 1. **Psalms 100:5**
 - 2. **Deuteronomy 7:9**
 - 3. 1 Peter 4:19
 - 4. 1 John 1:9
 - 5. **Hebrews 10:23-24**
 - 6. **1 Corinthians 10:13**
 - 7. 2 Thessalonians 3:3
- B. The Bible is clear on this point. God will never fail to keep His promises!

II. The faithfulness of God is proven.

- A. The Bible has so many examples of God’s determination to keep His promises.
 - 1. Remember **Sarah** (Genesis 18:9-14; 21:1-7)
 - 2. Remember **Israel** (Genesis 12:7; Joshua 21:43-45)
 - 3. Remember **Abraham** (Genesis 12:3; Galatians 3:16)
- B. The devil wants us to doubt God!
 - 1. The devil wants us to be like the scoffers described in 2 Peter 3:3-4.
 - 2. Instead of doubting, we must study our Bibles and constantly remind ourselves of God’s track record.

III. The faithfulness of God should provoke us.

- A. To **Trust** (Proverbs 3:5-6)
 - 1. It was the lack of trust in God that kept Israel from entering into Canaan (Numbers 14).
 - 2. Satan will both cripple and disable us if we fail to trust in the Lord.
- B. To **Rejoice** (Philippians 4:4)
 - 1. We should be people of great joy because we serve a God who will never let us down.
 - 2. It should bring us joy that God took care of our greatest need 2,000 years ago at Calvary.
- C. To **Hope** (Romans 5:1-5; 1 Peter 1:3-5)
 - 1. We must be people of firm conviction!
 - 2. We must be people who truly believe that what we have to look forward to is real and certain.
- D. To **Ensure** (Hebrews 12:1-2)
 - 1. If the rewards of this life motivate us, how much more should the reward of heaven?
 - 2. Only those who keep their eyes fixed on the prize will finish the spiritual race!

Conclusion: God will be faithful to us. We just have to make sure that we are **faithful** to Him!

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