

# GOD IS FAITHFUL

## Lesson 18

**Faithful:** *loyal, constant, staunch, steadfast; unswerving adherence to a person or an oath; always keeps promises.*

	How is God's FAITHFULNESS shown in these Scriptures?	Observations, Questions, Synonyms, Other Attributes	What difference does God's FAITHFULNESS make in my life?
<p><b>Genesis 17:15-19</b></p> <p>God also said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you are no longer to call her Sarai; her name will be Sarah. <sup>16</sup> I will bless her and will surely give you a son by her. I will bless her so that she will be the mother of nations; kings of peoples will come from her."</p> <p><sup>17</sup> Abraham fell facedown; he laughed and said to himself, "Will a son be born to a man a hundred years old? Will Sarah bear a child at the age of ninety?" <sup>18</sup> And Abraham said to God, "If only Ishmael might live under your blessing!"</p> <p><sup>19</sup> Then God said, "Yes, but your wife Sarah will bear you a son, and you will call him Isaac. <sup>[a]</sup> I will establish my covenant with him as an everlasting covenant for his descendants after him.</p> <p><b>Genesis 21:1-7</b></p> <p>Now the LORD was gracious to Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did for Sarah what he had promised. <sup>2</sup> Sarah became pregnant and bore a son to Abraham in his old age, at the very time God had promised him. <sup>3</sup> Abraham gave the name Isaac <sup>[a]</sup> to the son Sarah bore him.</p> <p><i>Continued</i></p>			

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<p><b>Genesis 21:1-7 - continued</b></p> <p><sup>4</sup>When his son Isaac was eight days old, Abraham circumcised him, as God commanded him. <sup>5</sup>Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him.</p> <p><sup>6</sup>Sarah said, "God has brought me laughter, and everyone who hears about this will laugh with me." <sup>7</sup>And she added, "Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."</p> <p><i>a. Isaac means "he laughs"</i></p>			
<p><b>Psalms 111:1-10</b></p> <p>Praise the LORD. <sup>1</sup></p> <p>I will extol the LORD with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly.</p> <p><sup>2</sup>Great are the works of the LORD; they are pondered by all who delight in them.</p> <p><sup>3</sup>Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever.</p> <p><sup>4</sup>He has caused his wonders to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and compassionate.</p> <p><sup>5</sup>He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever.</p> <p><i>Continued</i></p>			

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<p><b>Psalm 111:1-10 - continued</b></p> <p><sup>6</sup> He has shown his people the power of his works, giving them the lands of other nations.</p> <p><sup>7</sup> The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.</p> <p><sup>8</sup> They are established for ever and ever, enacted in faithfulness and uprightness.</p> <p><sup>9</sup> He provided redemption for his people; he ordained his covenant forever— holy and awesome is his name.</p> <p><sup>10</sup> The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.</p> <p><i>a. Hebrew "Hallelu Yah"</i></p>			
<p><b>Luke 22:42</b></p> <p>"Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done."</p>			

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<p><b>Philippians 2:5-8</b></p> <p>In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:</p> <p><sup>6</sup>Who, being in very nature<sup>[a]</sup> God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;</p> <p><sup>7</sup>rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature<sup>[b]</sup> of a servant, being made in human likeness.</p> <p><sup>8</sup>And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!</p> <p><i>a. Or "in the form of"</i>  <i>b. Or "the form"</i></p>			
<p><b>Romans 4:18-21</b></p> <p>Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "So shall your offspring be."<sup>[c]</sup> <sup>19</sup>Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead.<sup>20</sup> Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup>being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised.</p> <p><i>c. Gen. 15:5</i></p>			

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<b>What other scriptures come to mind?</b>			

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### **Reflections**

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Genesis 28:15

Hebrews 10:22-23

Have you ever been surprised by a resolution to a situation that seemed hopeless? How was God's faithfulness evident? Describe.

What helps you to be faithful to God?

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### **Lecture Notes**

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### **Prayer Requests**

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