



KNOWING GOD

God is faithful

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Hebrews 10:23

Small Group / Personal Study Guide

God is faithful to fulfill His promises—even when fulfillment takes time, involves struggle, or comes after this life. Like Abraham, we are called to trust God through the waiting.

Opening Reflection: What Does It Mean to Say God Is Faithful?

Definition:

To call God **"Faithful"** means He **always keeps His promises**, acts in perfect consistency with His character, and can **completely be trusted** in every circumstance.

"Know therefore that the Lord your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love..." *Deuteronomy 7:9*

Part 1: God's Promise to Abraham Read: Genesis 15:1–6

"And he believed the Lord, and he counted it to him as righteousness." (v.6)

Reflect:

1. What was Abraham feeling in this passage?
2. What does God's response teach you about how He relates to doubt?
3. How does Abraham's belief connect to our own faith journeys?

Application:

- Are there promises you believe God has made to you, but you haven't seen fulfilled?
- What would trusting His faithfulness look like in that area today?

Part 2: God's Faithfulness Despite Our Weakness - Genesis 16–20

- Abraham and Sarah take matters into their own hands.
- God continues to reaffirm His promise.
- His covenant remains secure despite their detours.

Reflect:

1. How does God's faithfulness stand out in these chapters?
2. What does this reveal about His patience and commitment?

Application:

- Can you think of a time you tried to "help" God's plan?
- How does His ongoing faithfulness encourage you in your failures?

Part 3: Fulfillment of the Promise - Read: Genesis 21:1–7

"The Lord did to Sarah as He had promised." (v.1)

Reflect:

1. What emotions do you think Abraham and Sarah experienced?
2. Why is God's timing here so significant?

Application:

- What are some past ways God has proven His faithfulness to you?
- How can you remember those in current areas of waiting?

Part 4: The Greater Promise — For Us Today

Read: Romans 8:18–25 & Hebrews 11:13–16

"These all died in faith, not having received the things promised..."
(Hebrews 11:13)

Reflect:

1. What are Christians today still waiting for?
2. How does this compare to Abraham's waiting?

Application:

- What changes in your life when you focus on **eternal promises** instead of short-term expectations?
- How does God's eternal faithfulness affect your choices today?

Part 5: Living by Faith Today

Read: Philippians 1:6 & Lamentations 3:22–23

"He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion..."
(Philippians 1:6)

Reflect:

1. Where do you need to believe God is still working, even if you don't see it?
2. How do daily reminders of His faithfulness strengthen your trust?

Application:

- Identify **one area** where you're tempted to give up or doubt God.
- Commit to a simple action this week: prayer, Scripture, or journaling to renew your trust in His faithfulness.

Closing Reflection or Group Prayer:

"Lord, help me to trust Your promises even when I don't see the results. Teach me to rest in Your faithfulness and to live with hope in what You are preparing."

- **Memory Verse: Hebrews 10:23**

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