

Biblical definition of faithfulness: to be reliable, steadfast and unwavering.

1 Kings 8:56

“Blessed be the LORD, who has given rest to His people Israel, according to all that He promised. There has not failed one word of all His good promise, which He promised through His servant Moses.

Types of faithfulness:

1) As an attribute of God

Psalm 89:8

O LORD God of hosts, who is mighty like You, O LORD? Your faithfulness also surrounds You. ^{in 3rd heaven}

Hebrews 13:8

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Also:

God protects us from evil - 2 Thessalonians 3:3 But the Lord is faithful, who will establish you and guard you from the evil one.

Sets limits on our temptations - 1 Corinthians 10:13 No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.

Forgives us of sin - 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.

Sanctifies us - 1 Corinthians 1:9 God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Philippians 1:6 being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ

2) A positive (should be) characteristic of Believers

Nehemiah 7:2 that I gave the charge of Jerusalem to my brother Hanani, and Hananiah the leader of the citadel, for he was a faithful man and feared God more than many.

Ephesians 5:1 Therefore be imitators of God as dear children.

Other examples of faithfulness include Silas (1 Peter 5:8), Tychicus (Ephesians 6:21), Epaphras (Colossians 1:7), Onesimus (Colossians 4:9), and Moses (Hebrews 3:2)

'Even faithfulness in a little will be rewarded'

Luke 19:17 And he said to him, 'Well done, good servant; because you were faithful in a very little, have authority over ten cities.'

3) As a characteristic that 'some' Believers lack

Proverbs 20:6

Most men will proclaim each his own goodness, but who can find a faithful man?

17:9 ^{The heart} is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; who can know it?

Matthew 26:75

And Peter remembered the word of Jesus who had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times." So he went out and wept bitterly.

Jeremiah
"The heart