Knowing God: The Faithfulness of God

God Time - Abraham Broken

These scriptures are selected to help you gain a deeper understanding of who Jesus is. You can read them each day or listen to the daily audio that is sent to you. They are intentionally designed for you to engage in your time alone with God. You will find them complementary to the teachings on the weekend (gatherings) and to the LIFE Group materials.

Some tips:

Use a Bible that is easy to read. The ESV or The NLT are both good translations.

Use a prayer journal. After you read the passages jot down what "jumped out" at you while reading. Then take a few minutes to write a prayer response to what you have read.

There are only five days of reading provided, so if you miss a day, you have time to catch up. Do not get legalistic! If you miss a day or even a week, God still loves you!

Monday: Isaiah 55:8-9

Tuesday: Proverbs 3:5-6

Wednesday: Isaiah 26: 3-4

Thursday: Psalm 40:4

Friday: Psalm 56:3-4

Diving Deeper

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The Hebrew word translated "faithfulness" means "steadfastness, firmness, fidelity. The opposite of being faithful is to be everchanging or wishy-washy. **Psalm** 119:89-90

If God spoke something a thousand years ago it still stands. He is faithful to His word because His word is an expression of his character. The promises He made still hold true because He does not change. **Malachi 3:6**

We learn to trust the character of a person by getting to know that person. Maybe in the same way we learn to trust God by getting to know his character. There are three ways that we can get to know him: Studying His word, Reviewing His working in our own lives, and learning to follow His voice.

- When we study God's word, a pattern immerges. God never changes and He never lies. Numbers 23:19, 1 Samuel 15:29
- We learn through our own history that He has never failed us, either.
 One command God often gave the Israelites was; "Remember"
 Deuteronomy 8:2, Isaiah 46:9
- Keeping a prayer journal can help with this. When we recall the way's God has answered our prayers, it equips us to continue asking and expecting answers.
- Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me."
 John 10:27
- What the Spirit shows us in his word is to be taken by faith as his message to us.

God loves for us to demonstrate faith. Hebrews 11:6

Faith is trusting in the character of God before we see how He is going to work things out. Just as our trust in other people grows with daily interaction, our trust in God grows the same way.

Questions to Consider

- 1. How has God shown His faithfulness to you through His word? What scriptures come to mind regarding God's faithfulness?
- 2. REMEMBER Recall times in your life that God has been faithful.
- 3. Have you heard God's voice lately? How do you distinguish God's voice from other voices? (Be specific in your answer)