



Day 7 *Faithfulness*

Silence (2 minutes) Take some time to be quiet, to calm down, and to listen. What has God been teaching you? What are the next steps He wants you to take? How is your spirit doing?

Scripture *"Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other. Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven."* Psalms 85:10-11

Discussion The psalmist has asked that God forgive Israel, again, and he listens to what God says. God forgives, but they are not to return to sin. We then come to these verses. Love, faithfulness, and righteousness are linked. The living out of one also involves the living out of the others. The growth of one fosters the growth of the others. Certainly, it is only possible to be truly faithful by being loving and righteous. These are all part of who God is and He made us in His image. So, as we mature in faithfulness to God and the Church, God also calls us and/or causes us to mature in being righteous and loving.

Application Consider how this past week's focus on faithfulness as a fruit of the Spirit has impacted your walk with the Lord. Faithfulness, like other fruits of the Spirit, is a lifelong Christian virtue we must all seek to mature in. Commit to at least one way you want to grow in faithfulness and ask the Lord to help you as seek Him daily.

Prayer Lord God, I praise You that You are loving, faithful, and righteous. I praise You that You live out all of these to perfection. Please continue to work in me. Please continue to change me so that in my relationships with You, my family, the Church, and with everyone I meet I am growing in living out love, faithfulness, and righteousness. Thank You for how amazing it is that You are making me more like You. I love You Father. Amen.

Silence (2 minutes) Talk to God about what you are learning. What are your fears? Where are your hangups? Pray for direction.

Scripture memory for the week:

*"Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope.
Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed,
for His compassions never fail.
They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness."*

Lamentations 3:21-23

