

FAITHFULNESS**Believe (Part 3)**

SERIES BIG IDEA:

I've received Jesus. Now I am to share the _____ of Jesus with others.**What does _____ require me to do?****Jesus elevated the importance of _____ over religious duty.**

²³"Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift.

Matthew 5:23-24 (NIV)

To truly worship God is to _____ my relationships with others.

¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

2 Corinthians 5:18-19 (NIV)

- **Jesus was _____ to us when we weren't faithful to Him.**
- **Love requires me to make things _____ with others because Jesus has made things _____ with me.**
- **To have my faith in Jesus is to be a person who is _____.**

Can I be trusted to keep my _____?

TEACHING BIG IDEA:

Love requires me to be _____ in my commitments with others to show my commitment to God.

²⁷"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' ²⁸But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart...

³¹"It has been said, 'Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.' ³²But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, makes her the victim of adultery, and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

Matthew 5:27-32 (NIV)

I will be faithful to my _____.**If I am single, I will be trustworthy with someone else's _____.**

³³"Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do not break your oath, but fulfill to the Lord the vows you have made.' ³⁴But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne; ³⁵or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King. ³⁶And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black. ³⁷All you need to say is simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.

Matthew 5:33-37 (NIV)

I will be faithful to do what I _____ I will or won't do.

⁸Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. ⁹Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

1 Peter 4:8-10 (NIV)

I will be faithful to _____ others.

¹This, then, is how you ought to regard us: as servants of Christ and as those entrusted with the mysteries God has revealed. ²Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.

1 Corinthians 4:1-2 (NIV)

- **I've been entrusted with God's _____ because Jesus was faithful to me.**
- **I will be faithful to God by being faithful to _____, especially those _____ to me.**

*Follow-up Questions & My Notes***How has the faithfulness of Jesus enabled me to be more committed to Him?****How has becoming more faithful to Jesus impacted my relationships with others?**