

# ***life group study guide***

**December 4, 2016**

## What to Expect When You're Expecting Luke 1-2

### **Expect God to be Faithful**

**Big Idea:** God's faithful doesn't rely on who you are, but it relies on who He is.

#### **We tend to forget God's faithfulness in the midst of our frailness**

If we are praying constantly, why would we struggle to believe God is faithful and involved on our lives? Throughout scripture we discover that depending on God is basic to the Christian life. As Christians depending and trusting on God are basic principles.

Q) Why do you think we would need a message on this subject?

Over the past few weeks we've talked about when we've shown or been shown grace. What about this new subject, depending on God, forgetting God's faithfulness...?

The subtitle of today's lesson was: we tend to forget God's faithfulness in the midst of our frailness

Before we jump into some life question, let's see if we can define that that first part means, God's faithfulness.

Is it a matter of forgetting God? Trusting God? Not understanding God's work in our lives? What does that mean?

So back to the statement: we tend to forget God's faithfulness in the midst of our frailness

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Q) Is that a true statement for you? Do you think we tend to forget God's faithfulness in our frailness?

Q) If so, why do you think that is?

Q) What are some of the moments in a Christian's life where forgetting God's faithfulness would manifest itself?

Q) What are some of the moments in our lives where we've struggled with God's faithfulness?

Q) What does forgetting God's faithfulness look like? Where does that leave us if we forget or feel we can't trust God?

Q) Is it "normal" of us to forget God or lack trust in him at troublesome moments?

Q) How do we overcome these moments?

Since we have a tendency to see these things in other people more than in ourselves, how do we help others to remain faithful or regain that trust in God?

I don't know where future lessons will take us, and as I write this, not sure exactly what all Matt will cover, but we can't end on notes of struggling with faith or trusting in God, so I will close with one of my favorite Bible stories.

Read Luke 2:22-32. There is a story of faith. Faith like we should show, patiently waiting on God, trusting Him, knowing that He always has our best in mind. Even if the timing is not our own.

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