

S.A.F.E. Homes



Strengthening Apostolic Families Everywhere



"His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. "Matthew 25:21

Faithful Servant

What does the word "faithful" mean to you? By definition, it means being true to one's word, promises, vows, etc. It can also mean reliable, trusted, or believed. Perhaps you know people whose actions do not match their words. Maybe they talk convincingly on a subject, but they are not faithful in carrying out their words. This is so disappointing to those who have to work, live, or go to church with such a person. Imagine how disappointing it is to God!

Jesus related a story in Matthew 25 in which a landowner decided to go on a trip. He entrusted his wealth to the servants who worked for him. To one servant he gave five talents, to another he gave two talents, and to another, one talent. The master expected these men to invest the talents and upon his return to find even more abundance. What he found was that two of the servants faithfully worked while he was gone. To them, the master said, **"Well done, thou good and faithful servant."** The third servant came to the master with excuses, ready to return the original talent. **"His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant!" (Matthew 25:26).**

Jesus has gone away to prepare a place for us where we can live with Him forever, but while we are here he expects His children to be faithful. **"Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful"(1 Corinthians 4: 2).** The Apostle Paul was speaking to Holy Ghost filled people in the church at Corinth when he mentioned this requirement. Perhaps we need to be reminded, as well, today.

Are you a faithful servant? Can the people in your life count on you to keep your word? More importantly, can God depend on You? If we are faithful, one of these days we, too, will hear our Lord say, "Well done, good and faithful servant!"

Family Prayer: Lord, how often I have said I trust You. But for today, I want to tell You that You can trust me. By Your grace and by the power of the Holy Ghost I will be a faithful disciple! In Jesus' Name, Amen.

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Design a chart for each child listing activities that require faithfulness. Help the child maintain his/her chart each day. At the end of the week reward each one for their faithfulness. Hopefully, everyone will hear, “Well done, good and faithful servant!”

Let's talk

Has anyone ever made a promise to you and did not follow through? How did that make you feel? Now discuss everyday activities where people rely on you to do something, such as homework, chores, etc. Talk about things we all can do better to be more faithful.

Faithfulness to church is especially important. Is there a ministry that you could be involved in that requires commitment on your part? Pray and let God lead you. Be someone the pastor can count on!



Additional Challenges

Luke 16:10 says, “He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much:”

Sometimes people are only looking for positions that bring glory or admiration, but this verse tells us that it is important to be faithful in small things as well. Take a few minutes to brainstorm ways to demonstrate faithfulness in every area of life. A few have been listed for you, but do your best to add your own thoughts.

Demonstrating Faithfulness to God

1. Not missing church services and activities

2. Daily prayer and Bible reading

3. Faithfulness in tithes and offerings

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

Demonstrating Faithfulness at school/work

1. Being on time

2. Doing things the right way

3. Doing your best when entrusted with a responsibility

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

Demonstrating Faithfulness to family and friends

1. Keeping promises

2. Not breaking confidences

3. Not participating in gossip

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

Well done good and faithful servant!

Puzzle Page

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