

Lamentations 3:23

21 But this I call to mind,
and therefore I have hope:

22 The steadfast love of
the LORD never ceases;
his mercies never come to
an end;

Lamentations 3:23

23 they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

*His compassions fail not.
They are new every morning:
great is Thy faithfulness.*

Lamentations 3:22, 23

Psalm 89:1

I will sing of the
steadfast love of the
LORD, forever; with my
mouth I will make known
your faithfulness to all
generations.

1 Cor. 1:9

God is faithful, by
whom you were called
into the fellowship of
his Son, Jesus Christ
our Lord.

1 Cor. 10:13

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

1 Thess. 5:24

He who calls you is
faithful; he will surely
do it.

1 Peter 4:19

Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

1John 1:9

If we confess our sins,
he is faithful and just to
forgive us our sins and
to cleanse us from all
unrighteousness.

Faithfulness

People / things disappoint – But NOT God

- Great is thy faithfulness
- I will make known thy faithfulness
- God is faithful...
- God is faithful, ...
- He who calls you is faithful,
- .. A faithful creator
- He is faithful to forgive ...

Promises Fulfilled

Whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope. Romans 15:4 –

Promises

- Coming Savior – Gen. 3
- Coming flood – Gen. 6
- NOT flood again – Gen. 9:11
- Land to Abraham – Gen. 17:8
- Son by Sarah – Gen. 21:1
- Destruction – Deut. 28
- Return from Captivity – Jer. 29:10

He Will Not Forsake

‘(for the Lord your God *is* a merciful God), He will not forsake you nor destroy you, nor forget the covenant of your fathers which He swore to them. Deut. 4:31

He Will Not Forsake

For He Himself has said,
“I will never leave you
nor forsake you.”

»Hebrews 13:5

God Is Faithful

- Says What He Means
- Means what He Says
- Does What He Says
He will Do

What Then Is Our
Response to
God's
Faithfulness?

Trust When Persecuted

- 1 Peter 3:14-15
- Therefore let those who suffer according to the will of God commit their souls *to Him* in doing good, as to a faithful Creator. 4:19

Trust When Tempted

No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear *it*. **1 Cor. 10:13**

Trust That Jesus Is Coming Again

... scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, ⁴and saying, “Where is the promise of His coming?

¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night,

2 Peter 3:3-10

We To Be Faithful

“Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw *some* of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. ***Be faithful*** until death, and I will give you the crown of life. **Rev. 2:10**

Faithful defined

Hebrew – “God is faithful” – Deut. 7:9

1) to confirm, support

–1a1) to believe in

–1a2) to trust

–1a3) trustworthy (pass participle)

Faithful defined:

- **Greek – 1 Cor. 10:12**
 - **1) trusty, faithful, 1a) of persons who show themselves faithful in the transaction of business, the execution of commands, or the discharge of official duties**
 - **1b) one who kept his plighted faith, worthy of trust**
 - **1c) that can be relied on**

Flood The Earth

- Gen. 6 – the promise given... but when?
- “But as the days of Noah *were*, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. 38“For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark,
Matt. 24:37-38

NOT Flood Again!

- “Thus I establish My covenant with you: Never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood; never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.”

Genesis 9:11

The Land To Abraham

- Also I give to you and your descendants after you the land in which you are a stranger, all the land of Canaan, as an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.” **Gen. 17:8**
- **But WHEN?** →

Promise To Abraham

- **Got old and died**
- **Isaac – got old and died**
- **Jacob – got old and died**
- **The 12 – got old and died**
- **Egypt – slavery – delivered**
 - **Moses BORN – Grew – fled – 80 years!**
- **Wilderness wandering 40 years....**
- **Moses dies –**
- **THEN ... Joshua enters land...**

- “Behold, this day I *am* going the way of all the earth. And you know in all your hearts and in all your souls that not one thing has failed of all the good things which the Lord your God spoke concerning you. All have come to pass for you; not one word of them has failed. Joshua 23:14

- “Therefore it shall come to pass, that as all the good things have come upon you which the Lord your God promised you, so the Lord will bring upon you all harmful things, until He has destroyed you from this good land which the Lord your God has given you.

Joshua 23:15

Other Promises Fulfilled

A Son by Sarah

- The Birth of Isaac = Gen. 21:1
- **1 The Lord visited Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did to Sarah as he had promised.**

Destruction for Disobedience

- **36 "The Lord will bring you and your king whom you set over you to a nation that neither you nor your fathers have known. And there you shall serve other gods of wood and stone. (Deut. 28)**

Babylonian Captivity - 606

Messiah – Luke 1:68-75

- 68 "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for
he has visited and redeemed his people
69 and has raised up a horn of salvation
for us in the house of his servant David,
70 as he spoke by the mouth of his holy
prophets from of old,
71 that we should be saved from our
enemies and from the hand of all who
hate us;

Messiah – Luke 1:68-75

- 72 to show the mercy *promised* to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant,
73 the *oath that he swore* to our father Abraham, to grant us
74 that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear,
75 in holiness and righteousness before him all our days.

Messiah – Acts 17:32-33

- 32 And we bring you the good news that *what God promised* to the fathers,
33 this *he has fulfilled* to us their children
by raising Jesus, as also it is written in the
second Psalm,
" 'You are my Son, today I have begotten
you.'

Other Promises Fulfilled

- **A son by Sarah – Gen. 21:1**
- **Destruction if disobey .. Deut. 28:36**
- **Return in 70 years – Jer. 29:10**
- **Messiah – Luke 1:68-73; Acts 13:32**

Return from Captivity

- **Jer. 29:10**
- **10 "For thus says the Lord: When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place.**

Return under Ezra - 536