Commit to a Faithful Creator

Our God is a Faithful Creator

- To all generations He:
- Witnesses that He is.
 - Things that are made Rom 1:20;
 - Didn't leave Himself without witness Acts 14:17
 - In hope that they may find Him Acts 17:26-31
- Shows His Love in His Son's death. Jn 3:16
 Rom 5:6-8
- Wants all to be saved. II Pet 3:9; I Tim 2:3-4
- Promises all who seek will find. Mt. 7:7-11

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- God always keeps His promises.
 - Swore with an oath Heb 6:16-19
 - He cannot lie(It is impossible) <u>Titus 1:2</u>
- He always takes good care of us. I Cor 10:13
- He will never forget our works. Heb 6:10-12
- He is faithful. II Tim 2:11-13
- He will never leave or forsake us. <u>Heb 13:5-</u>

Faithful in His Gifts

Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. 17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. 18 Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of first fruits of His creatures. James 1:16-19

Faithful to His Love

For while we were yet weak, in due season Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: for peradventure for the good man some one would even dare to die. 8 But God commendeth his own love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. ... 10 For if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, shall we be saved by his life; Rom 5:6-10

Suffer According to God's Will

God is Faithful

- Life as it ought to be. Heb 11:1-36
- Faithful service to God rewarded both in this life and in the life to come.
 - Enoch(God took him)
 - Noah(saved his house),
 - Abraham(made a great nation)
 - Moses(God's leader),
 - David before Goliath.

God Is Still Faithful When:

- But it is not always like that. <u>Heb 11:36-12:4</u>
- Faithful service to God sometimes leads to pain and suffering.
- Look at the apostles. <u>1 Cor 4:9-14</u>
- We have to be prepared. 2 Pet 3:8-9

God is Faithful

- There is a vanity which is done upon the earth, that there are righteous men unto whom it happeneth according to the work of the wicked; again, there are wicked men to whom it happeneth according to the work of the righteous: I said that this also is vanity. Eccl 8:14
- This is the most difficult of all situations.
- Sometimes, by time and chance, what should happen to the wicked happens to the righteous
- Health, Finances, Judgements on Wicked

Persecutions Don't reflect on God's Love

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." 37 Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. 38 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, 39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Rom 8:35-39

Commit Our Souls

Paul Committed His Soul

For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day. 2

Tim 1:12

Commit Our Souls

- Jesus did this on the cross: Father into thy hands I commit my spirit. Luke 23:46
- Job's made this commitment Job 1:20-22; 2:9-10; James 5:10-11
- Paul's made such a commitment Phil 3:1-15; 2 Tim 1:12
- David his commitment before Goliath. I Sam 17
- Shadrach Meshach & Abednego made it before Nebuchadnezzar <u>Daniel 3.</u>
- Noah made it when he built the ark. Gen 6
- Abraham made it when leaving his home & when offering Isaac. Gen 12; 22;

In Well doing

We Do Well in Trust to Faithful Creator

- He wants our bodies as a living sacrifice. Rom 12:1-2; I Cor 6:19-20;
- He wants complete submission and faithfulness. Lk 14:26-27
- He wants us to be holy as he is holy. <u>I Pet</u> 1:13-15
- He wants us to love Jesus more than our relatives and our life. Mt 10:37-38
- Zealous of Good Works <u>Titus 2:7, 14; 3:8, 14</u>

If We Trust God in This

- For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. Rom 8:18-19
- Wherefore let them also that suffer according to the will of God commit their souls in well-doing unto a faithful Creator. 1Pet 4:19