

**FAITHFUL AND STEADFAST**  
**By**  
**HAROLD HARSTVEDT**



# **FAITHFUL - STEADFAST**

## **OLD TESTAMENT**

**FAITHFUL - steadfast - sure - true - trustworthy**

**STEADFAST - firm - hold fast**

## **NEW TESTAMENT**

**FAITHFUL - believing - sure - true - trustworthy**

**STEADFAST - immovable - settled - steadfast**



# WHO IS FAITHFUL?

## NUMBERS 12:7

7 Not so with **My servant Moses**; he **is faithful in all My house.**

## DEUTERONOMY 7:9

9 Therefore know that **the LORD your God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy** for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments;

# WHO IS A FAITHFUL PRIEST?

1 SAMUEL 2:35

35 I will raise up for Myself **a faithful priest** who **shall do according to what is in My heart and in My mind**. I will build him a sure house, and he shall walk before My anointed forever.



# WHO WAS FAITHFUL TO THE KING?

1 SAMUEL 22:14

14 Ahimelech said to the king, **who among all your servants is as faithful as David**, the king's son-in-law, who goes at your bidding and is honorable in your house?



# WHY WERE THEY CONSIDERED FAITHFUL?

## NEHEMIAH 7:2

2 I gave the charge of Jerusalem to my brother Hanani, and Hananiah the leader of the citadel, for **he was a faithful man and feared God more than many.**

## NEHEMIAH 9:7-8

7 You are **the LORD God**, who **chose Abram**, and brought him out of Ur of the Chaldeans, and gave him the name Abraham;

8 **You found his heart faithful before You**, and made a covenant with him to give the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Jebusites, and the Girgashites-- to give it to his descendants. You have performed Your words, for You are righteous.

# WHY WERE THEY CONSIDERED FAITHFUL?

## NEHEMIAH 13:13

13 I appointed as treasurers over the storehouse Shelemiah the priest and Zadok the scribe, and of the Levites, Pedaiah; and next to them was Hanan the son of Zaccur, the son of Mattaniah; for **they were considered faithful**, and **their task was to distribute to their brethren.**

## JOB 11:15

15 Surely you shall lift up your face without spot; yes, **you shall be steadfast and not fear;**

# WHAT WILL THE LORD DO FOR FAITHFUL?

## PSALMS 31:23

23 Oh, love the LORD, all you His saints! For **the LORD preserves the faithful**, and fully repays the proud person.

## PSALMS 101:6

6 **My eyes shall be on the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me**; he who walks in a perfect way, he shall serve me.



# HOW WERE THEY NOT FAITHFUL TO GOD?

## PSALMS 78:8

8 And may not be like their fathers, **a stubborn and rebellious generation**, a generation that **did not set its heart aright**, and whose spirit was not faithful to God.

## PSALMS 78:37

37 **FOR their heart was not steadfast with Him, NOR were they faithful in His covenant.**



# HOW DID DAVID VIEW GODS COMMANDMENTS?

## PSALMS 119:86

86 **All Your commandments are faithful**; they persecute me wrongfully; help me!

## PSALMS 119:138

138 **Your testimonies, which You have commanded, are righteous and very faithful.**



# HOW IS FAITHFULNESS MANIFESTED?

## PROVERBS 11:13

13 A talebearer reveals secrets, but **he who is of a faithful spirit conceals a matter.**

## PROVERBS 13:17

17 A wicked messenger falls into trouble, but **a faithful ambassador brings health.**

## PROVERBS 14:5

5 **A faithful witness does not lie,** but a false witness will utter lies.

## PROVERBS 28:20

20 **A faithful man shall abound with blessings:** but he that makes haste to be rich shall not be innocent.

# WHY WERE THEY CONSIDERED FAITHFUL?

## ISAIAH 8:2

2 I will take for Myself **faithful witnesses** to record, **Uriah** the priest and **Zechariah** the son of Jeberechiah.

## DANIEL 6:4

4 The governors and satraps sought to find some charge against **Daniel** concerning the kingdom; but **they could find no charge or fault**, because **he was faithful**; **NOR was there any error or fault found in him.**

# HOW IS GOD FAITHFUL?

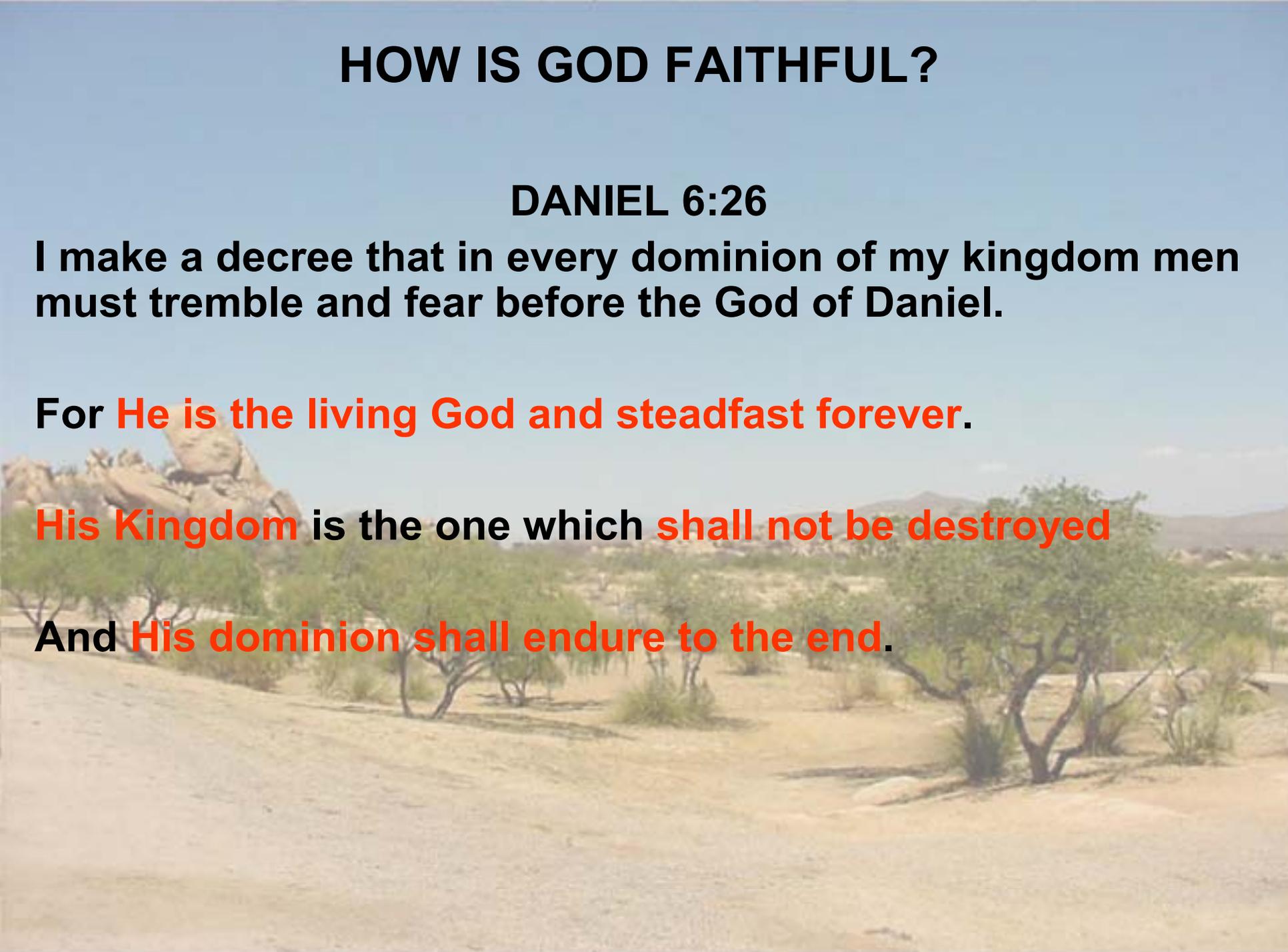
**DANIEL 6:26**

**I make a decree that in every dominion of my kingdom men must tremble and fear before the God of Daniel.**

**For He is the living God and steadfast forever.**

**His Kingdom is the one which shall not be destroyed**

**And His dominion shall endure to the end.**



# HOW IS FAITHFULNESS MANIFESTED?

LUKE 16:10-12

10 He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much.

11 Therefore if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?

12 And if you have not been faithful in what is another man's, who will give you what is your own?

(MATTHEW 25:21-23)

LUKE 19:17

17 He said to him, Well done, good servant; because you were faithful in a very little, have authority over ten cities.

# HOW IS FAITHFULNESS MANIFESTED?

## JOHN 20:27

27 Jesus said to Thomas, reach here your finger and behold my hands. Reach here your hand and thrust it into my side. **Be not faithless, BUT believing.**

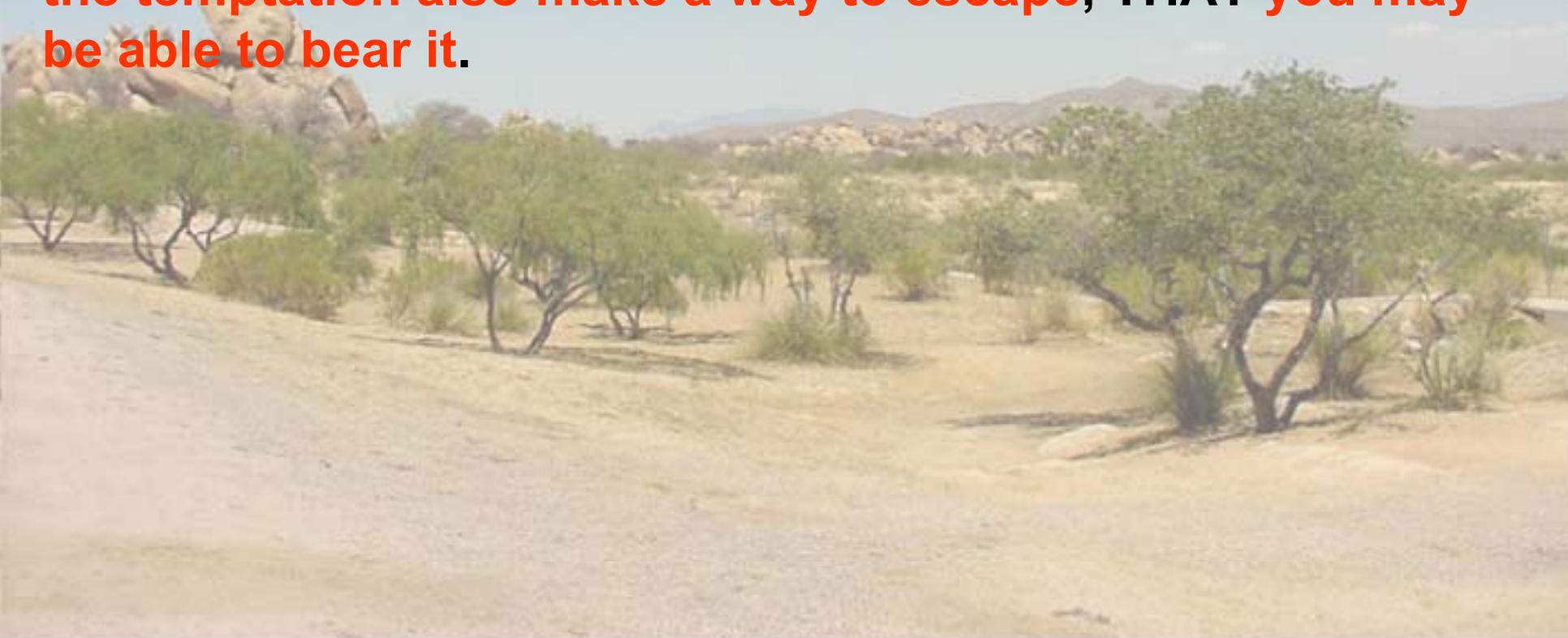
## ACTS 16:15

15 When she and her household were baptized, she begged us, saying, **If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord**, come to my house and stay. So she persuaded us.

# HOW GOD IS FAITHFUL?

## 1 CORINTHIANS 10:13

13 There has no temptation taken you but such as is common to man. But **God is faithful**, who **will not suffer you to be tempted above that you are able. BUT will with the temptation also make a way to escape, THAT you may be able to bear it.**



# HOW IS ONE TO BE FAITHFUL?

## 1 CORINTHIANS 4:2

**2 It is required in stewards that one be found faithful.**

## 1 CORINTHIANS 4:17

**17 I have sent Timothy to you, who is my beloved and faithful son in the Lord, who will remind you of my ways in Christ, as I teach everywhere in every church.**

## 1 CORINTHIANS 7:25

**25 Now concerning virgins I have no commandment of the Lord: yet I give my judgment, as one that has obtained mercy of the Lord to be faithful.**

# WHO IS FOUND TO BE FAITHFUL?

## 1 CORINTHIANS 7:37

37 **He who stands steadfast in his heart**, having no necessity, but has power over his own will, and has so determined in his heart that he will keep his virgin, does well.

## 1 CORINTHIANS 15:58

58 My beloved brethren, **be you steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord**, forasmuch as you know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

## 2 CORINTHIANS 1:7

7 **Our hope of you is steadfast**, knowing, that as you are **partakers of the sufferings**, so shall you be also **of the consolation**.

# WHO WAS CONSIDERED FAITHFUL?

## GALATIANS 3:9

9 They which are of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

## EPHESIANS 1:1

1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus and to the faithful in Christ Jesus.

## EPHESIANS 6:21

21 That you also may know my affairs and how I do, Tychicus, a beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, shall make known to you all things.

# WHO WAS CONSIDERED FAITHFUL?

## COLOSSIANS 1:2

2 To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

## COLOSSIANS 1:7

7 You learned of Epaphras our dear fellow servant, who is for you a faithful minister of Christ.

## COLOSSIANS 4:7

7 Tychicus shall declare my state to you. He is a beloved brother a faithful minister and fellow servant in the Lord:

## COLOSSIANS 4:9

9 With Onesimus, a faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you. They shall make known to you all things which are done here.

# HOW IS THE LORD FAITHFUL?

## 1 THESSALONIANS 5:24

24 **Faithful is he that calls you, who also will do it.**

## 2 THESSALONIANS 3:3

3 **The Lord is faithful, who shall establish you and keep you from evil.**

## 1 TIMOTHY 1:12

12 **I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has enabled me, for that He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry;**

# WHY IS FAITHFULNESS SO IMPORTANT?

## 1 TIMOTHY 6:2

2 **They that have believing masters**, let them not despise them, because they are brethren; but rather do them service, because **they are faithful and beloved, partakers of the benefit**. These things teach and exhort.

## 2 TIMOTHY 2:2

2 The things that you have heard of me among many witnesses, **the same commit to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also**.

# WHY IS FAITHFULNESS SO IMPORTANT?

## 1 TIMOTHY 3:11

11 **Their wives must** be grave, not slanderers, sober, **faithful in all things.**

## TITUS 1:6

6 If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, **having faithful children not accused of riot or unruly.**

## TITUS 1:9

9 **Holding fast the faithful word as he has been taught that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers.**

# HOW IS CHRIST FAITHFUL?

## HEBREWS 3:2

2 **Jesus Christ was faithful to Him that appointed Him,**  
as also Moses was faithful in all his house.

## HEBREWS 10:23

23 Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without  
wavering; for **He is faithful that promised.**

## 1 JOHN 1:9

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

# HOW WERE THEY FOUND TO BE FAITHFUL?

## HEBREWS 3:5

5 **Moses verily was faithful** in all his house, **as a servant**, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after.

## HEBREWS 3:14

14 We are made partakers of Christ, **if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast to the end.**

## HEBREWS 11:11

11 **By faith Sara** herself received strength to conceive seed and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she **judged Him faithful who had promised.**

# HOW ARE WE TO BE FOUND FAITHFUL?

## 1 PETER 4:19

19 Let them that suffer according to the will of God **commit the keeping of their souls to Him in well doing**, as to a faithful Creator.

## 1 PETER 5:8-9

8 **Be sober, be vigilant**; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walks about, seeking whom he may devour:

9 **Resist him being steadfast in the faith**, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.

# HOW ARE WE TO BE FOUND FAITHFUL?

## 3 JOHN 1:5

5 **Whatsoever you do, do faithfully** to the brethren and to strangers.

## REVELATION 2:10

10 Fear none of those things which you shall suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that you may be tried. You shall have tribulation ten days: **be faithful unto death and I will give you a crown of life.**

## REVELATION 17:14

14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for He is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and **they that are with Him are Called, and Chosen, and Faithful.**

