

Identity Crisis: Faithful

#TargetPractice: What does it mean to be faithful?

Ask any or all of these questions to drive a discussion about being faithful.

What does it mean to be faithful? (be loyal or devoted to someone, do what you say you will even if it is hard)

- Does a person who is faithful break promises?
- Has anyone broken a promise to you? Tell about it and how you felt.
- Have you ever broken a promise to someone? How did it make you feel? How do you think the other person felt?
- Can you depend on people who always break their promises? Why or why not?
- Why do people break promises?
- Have you ever told your mom or dad you would do something and then didn't (without promising)?
- Were you faithful to your parents if you didn't do what they told you to do?
- Who will always be faithful to keep His promises? (God) God is always faithful and keeps His promises. What are some promises that He has made to us? (to forgive us, love us, take care of us, covenants w/ Abraham, Noah, Moses, David, Israel.....)
- Is God dependable? Can we trust Him to keep His promises?
- Does knowing that God always keeps His promises help you to depend on Him more?
- What did God promise to Noah and his family after the flood?

- What sign did He give as a reminder of His promise? (rainbow)
- Has God kept His promise?
- What promise is made to us in I John 1:9 *But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.*
- Is it possible for God not to keep His promises? Why not?
- How does it make you feel to know that God will always keep His promises to you and loves you no matter what?
 - Should we be faithful to our friends and family? Let's look at a situation and let's decide what the best way to handle it would be.
 - Let's say Emily has a friend come over to our house to play. Her friend goes to the bathroom. When the friend comes back in, she says, "Emily, your mom left her purse in the bathroom and I found a \$20 bill in it. I know you are a good friend and won't tell your mom I took it." Now Emily has a decision to make. What do you think she should do? Should she be faithful to her friend or to her mom?
 - Who should she be most faithful to? (God) A true friend will not ask you to do something that God says is wrong. She should be faithful to God.

Are you always faithful to God?

- In what ways are you faithful to God?
- In what ways aren't you faithful to God?
- FINAL question- In what way would you like to be more faithful to God?

Additional Resources:

- Douglas Talks on Faithfulness (life application) (example in lesson taken from here)
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iW3ZenpRHxU>
- Object lesson about Faithfulness
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u1-pNpK-42o>

Questions found at:

<http://storage.cloversites.com/yorkalliancechurch/documents/KS%20Lesson%205%20God%20is%20Faithful.pdf>