

# HOW IS FAITHFULNESS TESTED?

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Luke 22: 39-42

There are many things that God loves to see from His people. One of the many things He loves to see is **FAITHFULNESS**. People who are faithful to God are **LOYAL**.

In the Kingdom of God, loyalty means to be **COMMITTED TO THE FAITH!** In this life you will find very few people who are committed to you. You will find even fewer people who are committed to the faith.

## COMMITTED TO THE FAITH

Being committed to the faith does not mean going to church every Sunday. It does not mean having a belief in

God. Being committed to the faith (faithfulness) is **PRIORITIZING** God's will over your own agenda.

Many people would strongly declare that God's will is more important than their own agendas. However, when it comes to action, the results do not match the intention. Faithfulness is proven **OVERTIME**.

You have to go through challenges, obstacles, losses, storms, difficulty, temptation and testing. To hold the title of being faithful you will need to be battle tested. This is why God test the faithfulness of His people.

## THE TEST OF FAITHFULNESS

Faithfulness is tested when you **STAY** in the place that God's will has taken you, despite how hard, difficult or crazy the situation is. God's will is **NOT** a place of comfort, ease and relaxation. It is a place of temptation, test and **PROVISION**.

When you are in the center of God's will it will seem difficult. You will feel like giving up and walking away. You will be tempted to do something else entirely different. However, in that place you will **NOT** lack anything. Everything you **NEED** will be provided to you.

When King Jesus was sent to the earth to bring the Kingdom of God it was a place of great testing, temptation, difficulty, stress, opposition and criticism. However, everything He needed was provided to Him. He lacked nothing!

Do you think it was easy for King Jesus to endure what He went through while He was on the earth? King Jesus was tempted to quit and give up because God's will was proving to be too difficult. However, He knew that His faithfulness to His Father was being tested.

King Jesus **PRIORITIZED** His Father's will above how He felt. Luke 22:39-42 says, "*And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also*

*followed him. And when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray that ye enter not into temptation. And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed, saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done."*

To hear those wonderful words, "well done thy good and faithful servant" you must be willing to **STAY** in God's will. Usually when things get hard people leave the place of grace. They abandon God's will for something they believe is more suitable. However, this is how God knows who is faithful and who is not.

**FAITHFULNESS IS NOT PROVEN IN  
WHAT YOU SAY. IT'S PROVEN IN **HOW**  
YOU STAY!**

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