

HE REMAINS FAITHFUL

2 Timothy 2:11-13

Awareness

Before listening, reflect:

- How do you decide if a message you hear can be trusted?
- · What does it mean to be faithful?

We receive and process so much information in a day, it's imperative that we have criteria to help us determine what we will trust. When it comes to our faith, we want assurances that we won't unknowingly fall out of favor with God. Paul says we can trust the early church's teaching that no matter what if we remain with God, he will remain with us...and even when we falter, he will remain faithful.

Reflection

After listening, consider:

- At the end of segment 1, host Dave Bast discusses how the apostle Paul never lost perspective on grace and this influenced his ability to endure despite being in prison and likely facing death for his faith. What can you learn from Paul's example to help yourself maintain perspective when life's circumstances or the world's problems weigh you down?
- We are called to endure in faithfulness to God, but it's not always easy. In which areas of your life do you find it most difficult to be faithful? Why?
- Are you ever concerned or worried that you have failed God or that you weren't faithful to him? What
 additional Bible passages reassure you that no matter your mistakes, God will remain faithful to you and
 that you will not fall from his favor?
- Spend some time reflecting on both baptism and the Lord's Supper. How important are they to your faith life? Why? When did you last have the opportunity to celebrate each sacrament? How do the liturgies and celebrations of each sacrament remind you of God's faithfulness to you?

Related Passages

- Romans 6:3-5
- Luke 9:23-24
- Galatians 2:19-21
- 1 Corinthians 6:1-11
- Philippians 1:6

Conclusion

Do you have examples or stories from your own life or the life of your community where God remained faithful despite your denial or unfaithfulness? Take time to write them down and spend a few minutes thinking about them. What effect have these stories had on your faith? How do these kind of stories help us endure?

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