



# God's Word For Today

Thursday, April 18, 2013

Matthew 24:44-47

## Faithful/Unfaithful

### Faithful

Matthew 24:44-47 KJV Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh. (45) Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season? (46) Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing. (47) Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.

### Unfaithful

Proverbs 25:19 KJV Confidence in an unfaithful man in time of trouble *is like* a broken tooth, and a foot out of joint.

If you do a word search in the average Bible program, you would find that the word **Faithful** comes up in about **78 places** in the KJV Bible. The same type of word search of the word, **Unfaithful** comes up in only **one place** in the KJV Bible. I do not know how you feel about these two words, but it is really very apparent to me that the Lord would rather talk about being **Faithful**. There is an old expression that says that "**there is no use beating a dead horse**". Meaning, of course, that beating a dead horse **will not solve any problems**. Those people that are disposed to **Unfaithfulness**, just will not listen until it is too late for them.

I remember talking to a man many years ago about being faithful in church, to both he and his whole family. But he would not listen. Some time passed and one night, out side, in our church parking lot, he drove up and got out of his car, totally devastated about what trouble he was having with his family. Now, it was too late for him. How sad this is, and how many people have I seen, down through the years, that many people do this very same thing.

You know, being unfaithful can hurt, not just you, but it can hurt a lot of good people around you. Being unfaithful in marriage can hurt your spouse and your children, maybe even your grand children. Being unfaithful at work, can hurt you, your family, your fellow workers, the company's product and your company's customers. Being unfaithful in your church can hurt your Christian family and your Pastor. Notice the effect unfaithfulness had on the Apostle Paul:

2 Timothy 4:8-10 KJV Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing. (9) Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me: (10) **For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica**; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.

This type of unfaithfulness is very harmful to anyone who is depending on us. It is exceptionally hurtful to anyone, if the unfaithfulness come from someone who is close to you. Here, it came from someone called Demas, someone that was supposed to support the Apostle Paul.

Now listen to God's opinion of Faithfulness:

Hebrews 3:5 KJV And **Moses verily was faithful in all his house**, (1) **as a servant**, (2) **for a testimony** of those things which were to be spoken after; . . .

Hebrews 10:22-25 KJV Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. (23) **Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering**; (for **he is faithful that promised**;) (24) And **let us consider one another** to provoke unto love and to good works: (25) **Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together**, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and **so much the more, as ye see the day approaching**.

**Do what God has called you to do — do not quit — be Faithful!**