

WORD OF THE DAY



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"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance(patience), kindness, goodness, **faithfulness**, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." - NIV

MEDITATE ON THIS ([Stay Faithful](#))



The Seventh Fruit of the Spirit is Faithfulness. When we examine the fruit of the spirit which is faithfulness, we should first start at the root word, which is faith. The Christian life is a life of faith which starts by believing what God has said. Faith is NOT blind trust. Rather, faith comes by hearing, but not just hearing anything; faith comes by hearing the WORD of God. The one who is faithful is the one who has started to believe and remains steadfast in that journey of faith.

Stay faithful through a lack of total understanding. In my personal opinion, Noah is the best example (besides Jesus) of faithfulness. Noah received the WORD of God to build the ark, and in believing this WORD from God, Noah showed faith. Noah did not understand how a global flood would happen, yet his faith turned into faithfulness as he preserved for over 50 years building the Ark.

Stay faithful through ridicule and persecution. In addition to working for over 50 years on a project that he didn't fully understand, Noah also had to endure the jokes and mocking of the people. It is easy to imagine that people who God tells us were very evil, would have been inclined to joke and tease and make fun of Noah. Yet even in the midst of all the mockery and scorn, Noah continued, he was faithful.

Stay faithful through a lack of results. While we all desire to see tangible results from whatever ministry God has called us into, the hallmark characteristic of faithfulness is not results but resiliency. Even though Noah preached to basically the whole world that the end was near, he saw no results outside of his family. Not a single person was saved from the flood. Yet Noah is still mentioned in the hall of fame of Christians(Hebrews 11), not because of his results, but because of his faithfulness.

Stay faithful when you don't fully understand, faithful when you are ridiculed, and stay faithful even when you don't see results. Stay faithful.

-Your brother in Christ, [WNL](#)

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

What ministry has God called you into? Stay faithful to it.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear God, thank you for your faithfulness to us which inspires and encourages us to be faithful to the calling which you have upon our lives. Lord, please once more send your WORD so that I may believe; and help me to remain steadfast and faithful. In Jesus name I pray. Amen.



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