

# **BLESSED ARE THE FAITHFUL FOR THEY SHALL SEE GOD**

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God shows Himself to those who show faithfulness to Him.

Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego saw God in the fire because of their faithful stand for Him not to bow before the image of Gold that Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon made as a God.

Daniel saw God in the Lion's den because of his faithful stand for God. He refused to pray to Darius according to the edict that Darius made having been deceived by his leaders, but to Yahweh the God of Israel.

Joseph saw God as He lifted him from the prison to the palace of Pharaoh as Prime Minister because of his faithfulness in righteous living in the midst of afflictions and deprivations.

Moses saw God all the way to the end of his ministry because of his faithfulness in following the voice of God and standing up for Him as he commands him. He risked his life to stand before Pharaoh of Egypt on behalf of the Israelites to demand their freedom.

Abraham saw God as he followed the voice of God to a land he never knew before departing his home town. God graciously delivered his wife from Abimelech and Pharaoh and had her restored to him with gifts following.

Time and space will not permit me to talk about Apostles Peter, John and Paul, Elijah and Elisha who all saw God demonstrate His power as they faithfully followed God, risked their lives for God and made many sacrifices that are rare today.

## **TO SEE GOD**

- To see God is to witness God intervene in your situation and turn it around.
- To see God is to experience the deliverance of the Almighty in specific areas of your life.
- To see God is to experience supernatural provision.
- To see God is to experience miracles and healings in one's life and in the life of loved ones.
- To see God is to witness the breakthrough power of God in action in one's life and area of need.
- To see God is to see God stand up for you as you stand up for Him.
- To see God is to be honoured by God in public for services rendered in secret.
- To see God is to walk in the miraculous.
- To see God is to have your prayers answered.

## **FAITHFULLNESS**

- To be faithful is to remain loyal and steadfast to God and His word.
- To be faithful is to be true to the principles and teachings of God in every area of life.

- To be faithful is to be loyal unto death – ready to die for the sake of what one believes in.
- To be faithful is to be constant in the performance of one's duties or services.
- Faithfulness is attending to commands, as a faithful servant.
- Faithfulness is standing up for God in times of intense pressure from the enemy – persecution, challenge, marital crisis, business failure, joblessness, retrenchment, academic troubles and spiritual attacks, etc.
- To be faithful is to continue to speak the word of God over your situation and life without looking back or doubting until God shows up.
- To be faithful is to continue in prayer of faith until change comes. You take no rest and give God no rest as he commanded in

*Isa 62:6-7*

*6 I have posted watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem; they will never be silent day or night. You who call on the LORD, give yourselves no rest, 7 and give him no rest till he establishes Jerusalem and makes her the praise of the earth.*

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- Faithfulness to God is walking in obedience to God and His laws, injunctions and instructions.
- Faithfulness is diligence in work, diligence in following, diligence in obeying, and diligence in waiting for instructions from His mouth.
- The faithful are those who are resolved and determined not live in sin, and are doing everything within their power to keep their commitment to their Saviour and Lord.

### **ONLY THE FAITHFUL SEE GOD**

*2 Sam 22:26-29*

*26 "To the faithful you show yourself faithful,  
to the blameless you show yourself blameless,*

*27 to the pure you show yourself pure,  
but to the crooked you show yourself shrewd.*

*28 You save the humble,  
but your eyes are on the haughty to bring them low.*

*29 You are my lamp, O LORD;  
the LORD turns my darkness into light.*

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It is how you relate with God, that God will relate with you. You need to be close to God to enjoy Him. You need to be close to, and intimate with God to see God daily without fail.

*James 4:7-8*

*7 Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.*

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God does show up and help when we are not faithful. He does help us when we do not deserve it. His grace keeps us going and delivers to us His blessings. But when we are faithful,

- His presence is stronger,
- His friendship becomes more intimate,
- His voice becomes clearer and more comforting,
- His power becomes more real and appears more potent though it is still the same.
- When we are faithful, our cup overflows with blessings daily and we are never stranded.

The way God relates with a faithful person cannot be the same with the way He relates with an unfaithful person.

The question now is “do you want to see God everyday in your life and affairs without fail”? If the answer is in the affirmative, then you have no choice than to walk in faithfulness with Him every day of your life. Make yourself reliable and dependable to God. Show reason why God should trust you. Make yourself trustworthy. No matter how difficult you think walking in faithfulness is, start now with a positive and determined attitude and you will make it in Jesus name. Build a vibrant fellowship with God. Daily, study and meditate on the word of God to gain insight and strength in Him. Keep at it and you will not be disappointed.