

#### **FAITHFULNESS IN THE CHURCH**

"... Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life." (Revelation 2:10)

### **Faithfulness is Demanded**

- God expects faithfulness until we die
- More than just "getting on the church roll"

### **Faithfulness Involves**

- Trust
- Reliability
- Steadiness

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### **Faithfulness in Our Attendance**

- Coming together for the Lord's Supper Acts 20:7
- Meeting for mutual encouragement Acts 2:42, 46
- Forsaking is a habit of some Heb 10:24, 25
- We honor Christ and build up each other when we assemble, why would we want to miss that?

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### Faithful to God's Word

- God's Word is our standard for authority Matt 28:18; John 16:13; Eph 3:3
- God's Word is sufficient for every good work 2 Tim
  2:16-17
- We cannot go beyond God's Word Gal 1:6-9
- The church is the pillar and ground of the truth 1
  Tim 3:15

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## Faithful Stewards of God's Blessings

- We've been entrusted with blessings 1 Cor 4:1-2
- We must be good stewards Matt 25:14-30
- Busy working for the Lord Luke 12:42-43
- Using material resources to glorify God 2 Cor 9:6-8;
  Eph 5:28
- Using time wisely Eph 5:28
- Elders are considered special stewards Titus 1:7

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## **Faithful in Our Daily Lives**

- We're living sacrifices daily Rom 12:1-2
- Faithful in our homes Acts 8:1-3
- Faithful in our business dealings and relationships –
  Rom 12:11-17
- The world is watching, and so is God!

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### **Faithfulness Involves Spiritual Growth**

- No one can be faithful and stagnant
- Christians who are not growing are not okay Heb
  5:12-14
- Growth in the Word like little babies with milk 1 Pet 2:2

"And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual people but as to carnal, as to babes in Christ. I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able to receive it, and even now you are still not able; for you are still carnal. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere men?" (1 Corinthians 3:1–3)