

JANUARY 16

**“GOD IS FAITHFUL  
WHETHER OR NOT YOU ARE  
EVER FAITHFUL IN ANYTHING.”**

---

**READ**

*John 1:16-17, Romans 5:8-19*

Jesus came to this world to remove false ideas that men have about God. One of those false ideas is that God loves “good” people. He does not love good people, because there are no good people. The world is a cesspool of sin, and everybody born into it is born into sin. An ideology has developed through the years that if you start doing religious things, God will respond to you. The theology, “If you’ll be faithful to God, God will be faithful to you,” is a lie! God is faithful whether or not you are ever faithful in anything. He is a faithful God. That is His character; that is who He is, and He will not change. God doesn’t do things because I do something. God does it because He is righteous, holy, and good. God did not save me because I decided I needed salvation. I was dead in trespasses and sins, not even knowing I was lost. God sought me. His Holy Spirit drew me to God. When we get to heaven, no one can boast that He chose God. While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. He who called us is faithful and true.

**PRAY**

Faithful God, thank You for the abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness I have received through Jesus Christ. I certainly didn’t deserve it, but gratefully receive it, and will praise You forever for it.

*From January 16, 2011*