

**SERMON SERIES:** THE DIFFERENCE HE MAKES

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## **Sermon title:**

“The Difference He Makes: FAITHFULNESS”

## **Introduction**

This week we are continuing our series The Difference He Makes by learning about the fruit of the Spirit that is faithfulness. Last week we had Brandon Hair, Calvary’s Next Gen Pastor, teach about how Cultivating goodness empowers us to make a difference for others. Elvin Torres, the lead pastor at One Hope South, was with us on Sunday morning to lead us in this conversation about what faithfulness looks like.

- What are some stories you have of incredible faithfulness? Do you have a humorous one, a serious one, or something in between to share?

## **Seek the Word**

Read Galatians 5:1-16.

- What is the freedom that is spoken about in verse 1?
- Read verse 4 again. What does it mean to “fall from grace?” How does someone avoid this?
- What warning does Paul give in this passage?
- How does this passage help us understand the character of God better?

## **Go Deeper**

Our passage for today makes references to the law that Christians are no longer under. Take some time to dive deeper into what the Old Testament Law consisted of. Who was it for? How is it different in the New Testament? Your Bible, a Bible dictionary, and a Bible concordances will be helpful to do this.

## **Talk About It**

- Why is the fruit of faithfulness important in your life? What would your life look like without the fruit of faithfulness?
- In what ways have you leaned into the faithfulness of the Holy Spirit in your own life? What was that experience like?
- What are some things that cause us to be hesitant about God’s faithfulness? How can we overcome those doubts?
- How can you share the faithfulness of Christ with someone close to you this week?

## **Wrap Up**

*Reminder:* Freedom tastes like faithfulness.

*Challenge:* Set aside a time each afternoon or evening this week to journal. Set a timer for 5 minutes. In this time, write about how you have seen God's faithfulness in the world around you that day. At the end of your timer, write a one sentence prayer thanking God for His faithfulness. If this is not enough time, disregard the 5 minutes and journal for longer.