

I Want to Know You...The Attributes of God
#20--God is Faithful

HOOK: *(Show the kids a picture of Old Faithful Geyser erupting.)* This is a picture of a famous geyser in Yellowstone National Park. Every 35 minutes to two hours it erupts like you see in this picture and it's quite a sight! This geyser is called "Old Faithful" because people have watched it erupt every day, many times a day, for at least the past 150 years!

BOOK: Today's Attribute of God is FAITHFUL. "Faithful" means something or someone you can count on. God is faithful. He keeps all of His promises to us. Just like folks waiting to see Old Faithful Geyser, we sometimes have to wait on God's faithfulness. People wanting to see the geyser spout high into the air don't know the exact time it will erupt so they watch and wait for it to happen. God wants us watch and wait for Him, too. He wants us to be faithful; trusting Him even when we don't see or understand what He is doing or we have to wait longer than we want to. God cannot be unfaithful because He never breaks His promises. God never lies. The Bible says: **"...the Lord your God is God; He is the faithful God, keeping His covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love Him and keep His commandments."** (Deut. 7:9) Boys and girls, as faithful as Old Faithful is to erupt, God is even even more faithful to keep His promises to us.

LOOK: God has *been* faithful and God will continue to *be* faithful forever--to me, to you, to your children and to your children's children! Wow! In Revelation, the last book of the Bible, it describes a scene right before a battle. The writer tells us of a white horse and the One riding it is called Faithful and True. We know those names refer to Jesus. Our Lord IS Faithful and True!

TOOK: But, often times we don't have much faith in God, do we? Sometimes act like He's not trustworthy. But, even when we are faithless, God remains faithful to us. Can any of you tell us one way you've seen God be faithful. ***(Give the kids a chance to answer. You may need to start them off with a brief answer of your own!)***

Bible Verse: **"...the Lord your God is God; He is the faithful God, keeping His covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love Him and keep His commandments."**
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Prayer: **"Thank you, Lord, for being 'the faithful God' and keeping Your promises to us. Help us to be faithful to You, too--faithful to love, trust and obey. Amen."**

The Attributes of God: FAITHFUL



what we
learned

God is faithful. He keeps all of His promises. Just like folks must watch and wait to see the famous geyser Old Faithful erupt (no one knows the exact time--it "goes off" every 35-120 minutes), God wants us to watch and wait for Him, too. He wants us to trust Him, even when we don't see or understand what He is doing or know how long we will have to wait for a promise to be fulfilled. God cannot be unfaithful because He never breaks His promises. He never lies so we can trust that God is faithful in what He says.



memory
verse

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parent/child
activity

Have your child draw a picture of him or herself. Ask how many children they think they'll have someday, and draw pictures of them, too! Then, reread the memory verse and point to everyone drawn on the paper. Say, "We can trust that God will always be faithful to you and to your children and to your children's children!"



daily prayer

"Thank You, Lord, for being 'the faithful God' and keeping Your promises to us. Help us to be faithful to You, too--faithful to love, trust and obey. Amen."

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