



## MIRACLE GROW - Week 7 FAITHFULNESS: Discussion Guide

### **TOUCH BASE - 10 Minutes**

- 1) List the qualities of a faithful sports fan? Do you consider yourself a faithful fan? If so for which team and why?
- 2) What insights did you gain from this week's chapter or sermon?

### **TAKE IT IN - 10 Minutes**

Watch the video for week 7 entitled "Faithfulness" on the DVD or at [tlc.org/miraclegrow](http://tlc.org/miraclegrow).

#### **Video Notes**

Faithfulness equals being \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ for a whole life time.

Moses was faithful so he was free from \_\_\_\_\_ ambition and free from \_\_\_\_\_ jealousy.

### **TALK IT OUT - 25 to 35 Minutes**

- 1) Does faithfulness as a fruit of the spirit reflect our cultural values or challenge them? In what ways does our culture cultivate faithfulness and in what ways does it erode it?
- 2) From the Bible, who are the main characters, like Moses, who display the quality of faithfulness no matter what circumstances?
- 3) Read Deuteronomy 32:3-4, Psalm 25:10, Psalm 33:4-5, Psalm 36:5
  - a) List the character qualities revealed about God from these verses. What patterns do you see? b) What does it mean to you that God is faithful in all he does?
- 4) Read 2 Timothy 2:11-13,  
*"This is a trustworthy saying: If we die with him, we will also live with him. If we endure hardship, we will reign with him. If we deny him, he will deny us. If we are unfaithful, he remains faithful, for he cannot deny who he is."* (NLT)

*(Passage Hint: Deny is a strong word meaning I want nothing to do with you. God loves us so much that he will not force salvation on us.)*

- a) What stands out to you about God's faithfulness from this verse?
- b) Does his faithfulness depend on ours? Explain your answer.
- c) What other scripture passages help you reflect on the faithfulness of God?

5) Read Hebrews 11:1-40 (If you are short on time you can read the questions and the corresponding verse listed at the end of each question)

- a) What is faith according to Heb 11:1?
- a) Why is faith needed to please God? Heb 11:6
- b) How did Abraham's belief in God's faithfulness affect his actions? Heb 11:17-19
- c) All the men and women in Hebrews 11 accomplished great things by faith. Who's story resonates most to you and what was the object of their faith?

6) Read Romans 10:17 "So faith comes from hearing, that is, hearing the Good News about Christ." (NLT) One way to cultivate faith according to this verse is \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) What creative steps can you take this week to cultivate the fruit of faithfulness in your life this week?

### **TAKE IT WITH YOU - 10 Minutes**

Consider a situation with which you are dealing right now in your life. If you truly believed that God is faithful to his word and his promises, how would that affect your attitude or your actions?

Consider making this your weekly prayer request, asking for enough faith to act on God's faithfulness to you in the situation.

### **CLOSE IN PRAYER**