

Do you believe in the faithfulness of the Lord?

Faithfulness – *“to be trusted, reliable”*

Providence – *“The exercise of foresight and care for the future”*

God’s Providence – *The use of God’s (non-observable) power and omniscience to ensure the care and growth of His people, despite physically happy or unhappy circumstances that may occur.*

Believing in the faithfulness of the Lord

- **Saved God's people alive from famine – *Gen. 45:7, 50:20***
 - *Joseph had faith in God's providence*
- **Saved God's people from Persian destruction**
 - *Esther 4:7-8, 14*
 - *Mordecai had faith in God's providence*
- **Saved Paul to bear witness in Rome – *Acts 23:11-24, 27:23-26, 39-44***
 - *Paul trusted in God's providence*

Believing in the faithfulness of the Lord

- **Whether happy or unhappy events come, good can always come from them: Rom. 8:28**
 - **Phil. 1:12-14, James 1:2-3**
- **God is faithful, therefore let us:**
 - **Be established in the Word – II Thess. 3:1-3**
 - **Be blameless – I Thess. 5:21-24**
 - **Fight temptation – I Cor. 10:13**
 - **Hold fast our confession – Heb. 10:23**
 - **Eagerly await the revelation of our Lord – I Cor. 1:4-9**