

God's Faithfulness

Know therefore that 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.

– Deuteronomy 7:9 (NIV)

Being worried about things such as school, relationships, or any number of issues, is something that I and I'm sure most people struggle with on a regular basis. It's easy for me to get caught up in all those things that have stressed me out or bogged me down over the years, but it has been through those hardships that God has revealed how truly faithful he is. Matthew 6:26 tells us not to worry for God will care for us just like the birds of the air, and ever since I first ran across this verse, it has been my go-to when dealing with uncertainty. That promise has been one that God has delivered on time and time again in my life, whether it be concerning my academics, what I'm going to say when leading IG bible study, or even how people might respond when I share my relationship with Christ with them. The way this promise has been fulfilled may not always been as expected but nonetheless I have been able to rest assured in God's faithfulness every single time.

If we are faithless, he remains faithful, for he cannot disown himself.

– 2 Timothy 2:13 (NIV)

Sometimes it might be hard to wrap our heads around this absolute faithfulness. Maybe it's because of all the things that have failed us in the past, or maybe it's our own untrustworthiness; I know that I'm not even close to 100% trustworthy and I've let down both other people as well as God. However, even through our own unfaithfulness, God will always be faithful. Of course, God's faithfulness isn't just limited to his deliverance from our worries. There are countless promises that are made to us, whether it be about the strength to overcome temptation (1 Corinthians 10:13), about being given the Holy Spirit so we may be witnesses for him (Acts 1:8), or even all the way to the greatest promise, the promise of salvation through Jesus. When we're lost, in doubt, stuck in our comfort zones, or simply unsure of taking the next step along the path God has set before us, we can look to these promises to assure us, as well as build us up, to step out in faith and boldly witness for Christ so that we may make disciples.

As the Men's Devotional Leader, I hope to foster a community and environment where we can come together and encourage each other in light of God's faithfulness. I hope we can be vulnerable about what we may be struggling with or are lacking in, then learn and grow with one another as we strive to rely and build ourselves upon God. Let us support and remind one another of God's faithfulness so that we may rest assured and find full confidence in God and his word.

Personal Evaluation

What are one or two strengths (skills/qualities) you possess, and how have you demonstrated these in the past?

I think that one of my strengths is that I'm quite a patient person who doesn't easily lose their cool. When people do or say things that I disagree with or simply find annoying I've usually been able to deal with it without conflict. I think another one of my strengths would be that I'm relatively detail oriented so that when I plan or do something it should be totally complete and done well.

What weakness do you possess that may hinder you in your chosen role, and how will you commit to improving in this area while you are serving on committee?

One thing I've always struggled with is passivity and a lack of decisiveness. Sometimes, I find myself taking a back seat during decision making so that others will make decisions for me. I will make sure to make my decisions for myself and voice my thoughts when I feel the desire to just sit back and not contribute. As many of you know I'm also chronically late which something I must continue to improve upon.

What can you personally offer to help the other members of committee in their difficulties next year? What is your personal commitment to ensure that committee works well together as a team?

I will of course be source of support and prayer for all the members of committee and I would be able to occasionally take on certain committee responsibilities if need be. I hope to be able to build a close relationship with each individual member of committee so that I might be a person whom they have confidence in and are willing to share their burdens with. I also hope to spend time all together as a group where we can do and work on things collectively so that we might see ourselves as a team that works together rather than a bunch of individuals who just do their own thing.

If you are not elected to your chosen role, how will you still serve and carry out your vision at CCF next year?

If I am not the Men's Devotional Leader I will still be able to encourage and share about God's faithfulness within my personal relationships across the fellowship so that people would rest assured and be built up in light of what God has promised us.