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The Gifts Of Christ: We have the faithfulness of the Father.

Isa. 25:1, “LORD, You are my God; I will exalt You and praise Your name, for in perfect faithfulness You have done wonderful things, things planned long ago.” (NIV)

Faithfulness comes from the Hebrew word **omen** which literally means *perfectly and always faithful*. It is also found in the Greek text of **2 Tim. 2:13, “If we are faithless, He remains faithful, for He cannot disown Himself.” (NIV)** The Greek word is **pistos** which means *completely and perfectly trustworthy*. In other words, faithful is not what He does, it is Who He is. This is the character of our LORD.

In the hymn **Great Is Thy Faithfulness**, **Thomas Obediah Chisholm** put this into perspective for us:

*Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not, As
Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be. Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed Thy hand hath provided -
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!*

And that is Who God is; faithful forever. **Heb. 10:23, “Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He Who promised is faithful.” (NIV)** Aren't you glad He is always faithful. We can trust His faithfulness. He was faithful to send the Messiah at just the right time. He was faithful to take our sins upon Himself and pay the sin debt for us. And He will be faithful to come for us soon and take us to the place that He has prepared for us; where we will forever be with Him!

Rev. 22:20, “He Who testifies to these things says, “Yes, I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.” (NIV)

Dear LORD, You are faithful. Hallelujah. We can always trust in You. In Jesus Name, Amen