



Commitment to God

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. —Lamentations 3:22-23

I cannot think of anything more visually consistent than the sunrise. The sun does not care what happened last year, last month or even yesterday. Daily, without fail, it rises, it shines, and it warms everything it touches. God's faithfulness and commitment to us are the same...resolute, unwavering and unconditional. The root meaning of faithfulness is certainty and dependability. We can always be certain that we can depend on God in any and every situation... His steadfast love never ceases. Commitment to God includes our faithfulness in return. The more we spend time with the Lord, the more we know Him, the more we know Him, the more we love Him. Out of that love comes trust and obedience, and our relationship is evident in the words we speak and the actions we take.

God loves us and He desires to have a relationship with us, and there are no words more powerful to show that love than these... "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." —John 3:16 In this week, where we will all be celebrating Thanksgiving, I couldn't think of a better reason to be thankful.

Encouragement - Each calendar year we are gifted 365 days from beginning to end. We have one day specifically that we set aside for "Thanksgiving." For 2022 let's flip that word around and commit the other 364 days to "giving thanks." Each day invest time in reflecting on what it is you are grateful for as well as expressing it by saying thank you. We tend to find what we focus on, and when we build our gratitude muscle by exercising it daily... we discover a new perspective and a world full of things to be grateful for.

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