

**Pastor's Weekly Devotional – January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014**  
**“The Faithfulness of God”**

2013 has been a year of unending turmoil. The tragic killings. Tornadoes. Unpredictable weather patterns. Economic fiscal cliff. Not to mention our personal daily challenges.

On the flip side, there is God. As Christians, we believe that God is in control. We believe that the eternal God is guiding history towards its pre-appointed end and that He has a personal plan for our lives. Thus, there is little to fear if we put our trust in Him.

One word that defines God (among many other words) is FAITHFULNESS. We use the word “faithful” referring to a loyal friend, someone who is dependable, hard working and keeps his/her promises.

In Deuteronomy 7:9, the Lord is called “the faithful God.” The psalmist encourages us “to feed on His faithfulness” (37:3). The prophet Jeremiah reminds us that “the Lord’s compassions do not fail. They are new every morning; great is His faithfulness” (Lamentations 3:22, 23).

Keep this thought as you enter 2014 – the Faithfulness of God. Here are some things for you to remember this year:

- We can put full faith in Our God who is faithful. The Bible says that when we are not faithful, God continues to be faithful to us.
- God is always faithful in keeping His promises to us as found in His Word.
- God is always faithful to help us achieve the plan He has for our lives. The Bible says that “the steps of a good person are ordered by the Lord” and He leads us in an appointed way.
- God is faithful in keeping His Church alive, vibrant and afloat.

Life is tough, but God is faithful. He has been, He will continue to be a faithful God in 2014. Simply trust Him. Thrust yourself on Him.

Just a reminder – this Sunday is Communion Sunday. See you in church.

Have a Blessed New Year!  
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