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BIG IDEA: Our unfaithfulness can never nullify His faithfulness.

GROUPS VISION

We desire everyone at Valley Creek Church to be in a small group. Groups are where we take Next Steps together on our journey with Jesus and where Group Leaders develop their Next Leaders to carry the vision to others.

KEY VERSE

If we are faithless, He will remain faithful, for He cannot disown Himself.

2 Timothy 2:13

MAIN POINTS & SCRIPTURES

1. We live in a world that is quick to quit and give up, but we serve a God who never will. We don't know we're committed to something until it's hard and it costs us something. The Bible is a story of a faithful God being faithful to faithless people. **(2 Corinthians 6:18; 2 Timothy 2:13)**
2. Faithfulness is probably the most amazing, yet least inspiring value in the Kingdom of God. Faithfulness is the nature of God. **(Exodus 34:6; Psalm 89:8,14; Psalm 36:5; Lamentations 3:23)**
3. Even after witnessing lots of miracles, some disciples walked away after Jesus said something they didn't understand, but Jesus didn't give up on them – or us. It's amazing how little it takes for us to give up on Jesus, but how much He will tolerate without giving up on us. **(John 6:66; Luke 23:34; Hebrews 13:5)**
4. Without commitment, we miss out on the greatest things in life. We overestimate how much we can do in a few days, but underestimate how much can happen if we're committed for a few years. Committing to the right things for a long time produces profound results. **(John 17:12)**
5. Our faithfulness to the world is a reflection of God's faithfulness to us. When the faithfulness of God grips our heart, we can't help but start living a faithful life. **(Romans 10:17)**
6. God's faithfulness towards us is greater than the faithlessness around us, and the fear within us. We need to focus on God's faithfulness to us, not our faithfulness to Him. **(2 Kings 6:8-23)**

POTENTIAL NEXT STEP

Think of your closest relationship(s) and commit to God to stay faithful in those relationships. Ask Him to use the relationship(s) to grow your character and be a reflection of God's faithfulness to the world.

DISCUSSION

- Describe a time when you wanted to quit something. Fitness goal? Your job? Marriage? Volunteering? Small group? Church? God? (See point #1.)
 - How is your faithfulness to the world a reflection of His faithfulness to you? (See point #5.)
 - In what area do you need to persevere – inspired by God's faithfulness? (See points #5-6.)
- **What is the Holy Spirit saying to you?**
- **What is your Next Step?**
- **How is God moving in your life during our Awaken Challenge?**

Do you have a story of someone taking a Next Step or a Leader developing a Next Leader?
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