

## **Faithfulness**

Like a sappy floppy Labrador, all flappy ears and lolling tongue, gazing adoringly at mistress, rolling over at your feet.

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Like the gold 'O' of a wedding band, unbroken circle, through sickness and health, until death us do part.

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Like a weary fan, huddled on the terraces in tired scarf and sagging coat, disappointed by another season, obstinately steadfast.

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The God who told childless Abraham his grandkids would number more than the stars.  
Who rescued those faithless children from Egyptian clutches.  
Who fed them daily in the desert, like a patient mother bird.  
Who gave them a tarnished earthly king when they spat on his Godly Kingship.  
Who sent prophet after prophet, whilst they systematically defied.

### Faithfulness

The God-Man who honoured earthly parents, although he'd created the solar system.  
Who nurtured, taught, challenged, loved an undeserving chosen twelve.  
Who healed hurting people and revealed Himself their unexpected hope.

And then, in faithfulness, journeyed to the cross.

Vowed yet not my will but yours.

Bore the stripes of the cruel whip; wore the purple robe.

In faithfulness commended his spirit into the Father's grieving hands.

Faithfulness resurrected, irrepressible, part of the very heart of God.

Practice it now, daily, until He comes again.

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