

## "FAITHFUL"

## "And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and He that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He doth judge and make war." ~Revelation 19:11

| This definitive title of God encompasses all that God is and does, from eternity past to eternity future; God is FAITHFUL!  | NOTES |
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| In the Old Testament, the compilation of Hebrew words describing God as faithful literally means "to be secure or firm", implying "A Foundation." (1 Samuel 2:35, 25:28)  |       |
| Faithfulness is the attribute of God that describes His<br><sup>(1)</sup> and <sup>(2)</sup> in relation<br>to creation and specifically to His people.   |       |
| The standard, or measure, of faithfulness is described as<br>(3) or (4) God, by His<br>very nature, is constant, because He is God. Because He<br>is (5) or (6) in keeping His<br>promises, He is worthy of (7)<br>From the first recorded revelations of God to man, we find<br>one truth that stands out as the foundation of all other truth:<br>(8) That is the foundation of all other truth!<br>As God described Himself to Adam in the garden, so God<br>reveals Himself to John in the Revelation.<br>Faithful and true, still the same! As Scripture so dogmatically<br>defines it, "According as He said" |       |
| This revelation in 19:11 is the fulfillment of promises God had<br>established from the beginning. From the Revelation of God<br>to man in the garden to the Revelation of God to man in glory,<br>God is still working according to His Word!  |       |



|       | Illustration: Pistos=faithful; a'pistos=unfaithful  |  |
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| NOTES | faithful=same; unfaithful=change;<br>faithful=consistent; unfaithful=inconsistent.  |  |
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|       | We said faithfulness is established by a <sup>(9)</sup> , or <sup>(11)</sup> In other   |  |
|       | words, a comparison of consistency or ability to maintain a<br>promise, pledge, or commitment. The degree of accuracy to<br>fulfilling that promise determines the strength of support that<br>can be placed on the promise. 25%, 50%, 75%, 100%!   |  |
|       | To be called faithful requires consistency, or regularity, and in<br>reference to men always refers to their ability to honor their<br>commitment with understanding to their limitations. But to God,<br>it is not an ability, it is an <sup>(12)</sup> — not what He<br>does, but what He is!<br><i>(Exodus 3:13-15; Deuteronomy 7:9; Isaiah 49:7; Hosea 11:12)</i> |  |
|       | The Revelation of Jesus Christ is the conclusion concerning the consistency of God's covenant with man from the curse in the garden to the second coming from glory. It's God working all things together according to His counsel. (2 Peter 3:3-9)   |  |
|       | FAITHFUL and TRUE:  |  |
|       | 1. We find in Pistos, Faithful, that God is (13);   (14)  |  |
|       | 2. We find in Pistos, Faithful, that God is <sup>(15)</sup> ;   |  |
|       | Whatever attributes of God are needed, He is faithful to performall that He requires of Himself, according to His promise! Hekeeps His word! (Psalm 119:86; 2 Corinthians 1:20)   |  |
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| "The faithful and true"         | Revelation 19:4        |
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| "The faithful witness"          | <b>Revelation 1:5</b>  |
| "The faithful and true witness" | <b>Revelation 3:14</b> |
| "He that is True"               | <b>Revelation 3:7</b>  |
| "Righteous and True"            | Revelation 16:7        |

Because He is *"the truth"*, (*John 14:6*) the living word, He is ever faithful, and He can be trusted. He can be built upon!

John 18:37 "To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth."

## PISTOS ANSWER KEY

- 1. Firmness
- 2. Constancy
- 3. Covenant
- 4. Promise
- 5. Constant
- 6. Faithful
- 7. Trust
- 8. *God is*
- 9. Standard
- 10. Promise
- 11. Covenant
- 12. Attribute
- 13. Reliable
- 14. Dependable
- 15. Trustworthy
- 16. Believable