HELEN SANDERS 6-8-2024 THE FAITHFULNESS OF GOD

Have you ever had a close friend or family member betray you? Have you ever had someone say words about you that were not true? These things can cause someone to become very hurt and bitter. It can open the door for offense that can only be shut through repentance.

Family members have been at odds since the beginning. Take Cain and Abel. One brother killed the other brother. Jacob and Esau had a falling out, and even though there was an apparent reconciliation years later the descendants of Esau would not let the children of Jacob come on their land. Esau's descendants eventually became Israel's enemy.

I have always taught my children and those in our ministry that friends, family, pastors, neighbors and more will betray you, but God will never betray us. He is our friend. In Proverbs 18:24 it says, "A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than any brother." That friend is Jesus Christ. How close does he get? He lives inside of you, and nothing can get closer than that.

Many biblical prophets went through terrible persecution, and death, but they all knew the one that would see them through which was God, himself.

Lonely? Jesus is a friend. Sick? Jesus is our healer. Feel betrayed? Jesus was betrayed and understands. He will be faithful when no one else is. You can count on it! Don't get bitter over betrayals and false accusations. Give them to God and let Him take care of it. He is that friend that sticks closer to you than anyone.