

# Growth Teams

Week Beginning  
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016

## Going deeper

In 2 Corinthians 2:18, Paul says that God is faithful. In Hebrews, the writer often shows us how Christ is the better way than the ways of the Old Testament that were merely meant to foreshadow Christ. In this section he talks about how Jesus is more faithful than Moses.

## Read Hebrews 3:1-6

6. How is Jesus described in verse 1? What did this role entail? (cf. 2:17-18).
7. How is Moses described in verse 2? Check out Numbers 12:6-8. What was unique about Moses?
8. Why does Jesus have greater honour than Moses?
9. In what way was Jesus 'faithful as a servant' (cf. 2:17-18)?
10. What does Jesus's faithfulness achieve for us (cf. 2:11-15)?

***Now do the applying it to our lives questions...***



**Growing in Christ  
to glorify God  
and enjoy Him forever.**

## A Life of Integrity

2 Corinthians 1:12-2:11 (page 1158)

Space to take notes on the talk

God is \_\_\_\_\_

Christ is God's \_\_\_\_\_ to:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

### A Life of Integrity:

- i. Be \_\_\_\_\_ to your \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. Be \_\_\_\_\_ about your \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. Be \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_

### Starter question

- ❖ Give an example of a time when you have been upset by someone breaking a promise.

### Responding to the talk

1. If you had to come up with a headline for this week's talk what would it be?
2. Read 2 Corinthians 1:12-22
  - a. What is Paul hoping the Corinthians' attitude of him might become?
  - b. How does Christ prove God to be faithful?
  - c. How does God help us stand firm in faith?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 1:15-17; 1:23-2:4
  - a. How had Paul's plans changed?
  - b. Why was Paul justified in changing his plans?
  - c. Why did Paul write a challenging letter to them instead of visiting them? (cf. 7:8-9)
4. Read 2 Corinthians 2:5-11
  - a. The person criticised by Paul in his letter (cf. 7:12) has been punished by the many at Corinth. What does Paul urge them to do with him now?
  - b. What reasons does Paul give for this new treatment?
  - c. What do you think Satan's schemes were in this situation?

*You may like to do the 'Going Deeper' questions over the page.*

### Applying it to our lives

10. When is it right to change the plans people are expecting us to carry out and when is it wrong?
11. Paul works for unity, reconciliation and trust in his relationships with the Corinthians. What steps might we need to take to encourage good trusting relationships within the church?