



Ordinary Faithfulness

steady Christian living in the normal pressures of life

2 - Hearing God Daily

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1 – Faithfulness Starts Small

Faithfulness in small things reveals the heart and prepares us for greater trust

EMBARK

Most Christian faithfulness is formed in ordinary choices, not dramatic moments. The question is not whether we want to do great things for God, but whether we will be faithful in the small things He has placed before us.

1. Where are you most tempted to think, “This doesn’t really matter”?

EXAMINE

READ Luke 16:10

2. What contrast does Jesus make between faithfulness and dishonesty?
3. What does this verse teach about character in small things?

READ Zechariah 4:10

4. What warning does God give about “small things”?
5. How might believers be tempted to despise small beginnings today?

READ Colossians 3:23–24

6. What motivation does Paul give for ordinary work?
7. How should serving “for the Lord” reshape our attitude toward unseen tasks?

READ Galatians 6:9

8. What temptation does Paul address in this verse?
9. What promise is given to those who do not give up?



EXPOSE

Ordinary faithfulness is often hindered not by a lack of opportunity, but by the desires of the heart.

- **We want significance more than faithfulness**

We crave impact, visibility, and recognition more than simple obedience.

- **We underestimate the shaping power of little choices**

Repeated choices shape the kind of people we become.

- **We excuse carelessness in hidden places**

Private habits are never spiritually neutral.

- **We grow impatient with God's ordinary methods**

God often works through ordinary means, ordinary repentance, ordinary endurance, and ordinary grace.

Diagnostic questions:

- Where have I been careless because the assignment felt too small?
- Where am I waiting for a "bigger opportunity" instead of obeying now?
- What hidden habits are shaping me more than I want to admit?
- Where have I confused being noticed with being faithful?

ENGAGE

Discuss these matters with your table and summarize your findings to share with the group.

Step 1: Identify

What are some "small things" believers are tempted to neglect?

Step 2: Reflect

Why do we tend to despise small acts of obedience?

Step 3: Apply

Each person share one ordinary area where faithfulness needs to grow.

Step 4: Encourage

As a group, name one way believers can strengthen a church through quiet, steady faithfulness.

MEMORIZE

Luke 16:10 (CSB) "Whoever is faithful in very little is also faithful in much, and whoever is unrighteous in very little is also unrighteous in much."

