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**GREAT IS THY
FAITHFULNESS**

Great is Thy Faithfulness

- Thomas O. Chisholm was born in Franklin, Kentucky in 1866
- He converted to Christianity at the age of 26
- In 1903 he entered the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church South
- His aim in writing was to incorporate as much as Scripture as possible & to avoid flippant or sentimental themes

Great is Thy Faithfulness

*Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;
as Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.*

A dramatic landscape with a bright light source, possibly the sun or moon, low on the horizon, casting a long, golden glow over a dark, rocky terrain. The scene is framed by a white border, and a purple decorative element is visible in the top right corner.

**OUR
UNCHANGING
GOD**

Our Unchanging God

- God is eternally the same, dependable & unchanging in His nature and promises

8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. (Hebrews 13:8 NIV)

- God's compassion is enduring and unfailing, always available to His children

22 Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. (Lamentations 3:22 NIV)

Our Unchanging God

- God's faithfulness is evident throughout history & it will continue

*90 Your faithfulness continues through all generations;
you established the earth, and it endures.
(Psalm 119:90 NIV)*

- He is pure light and truth

*17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming
down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not
change like shifting shadows. (James 1:17 NIV)*

Our Unchanging God

- The hymn calls God “O God my Father,” reflecting our relationship with Him as His children

15 The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” (Romans 8:15 NIV)

Great is Thy Faithfulness

*Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest;
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.*



God's testimony

3 witnesses show Jesus is God's Son so eternal life is in Him alone

God's Testimony

- The changing seasons point to the cycles of nature established by God's design

22 "As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease." (Genesis 8:22 NIV)

- The sun, moon & stars testify to God's reliable order in the universe

1 The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. (Psalm 19:1 NIV)

God's Testimony

- Creation reveals not only God's power but also His mercy and love for humanity

9 The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made. (Psalm 145:9 NIV)

- God's faithfulness is evident in His covenant with all creation, ensuring its continuity and care

(Genesis 9:13-15)

God's Testimony

13 I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth. 14 Whenever I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds, 15 I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life. (Genesis 9:13-15 NIV)

God's Testimony

- God's promise to Noah, symbolized by the rainbow, reflects His ongoing faithfulness
- The changing seasons symbolize the different stages of life, where God's presence & faithfulness are constant

Ecclesiastes 3:1

Great is Thy Faithfulness

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow:
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!*

A landscape photograph of a sunset over mountains. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm orange glow across the sky and the mountain ranges. The foreground shows dark, silhouetted hills. The text "PRAISE GOD FOR PEACE AND HOPE!" is overlaid in the center in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The entire image is framed by a white border and a dark green background with a white crosshair design.

**PRAISE GOD FOR
PEACE AND HOPE!**

Peace and Hope

- God offers forgiveness for our sins through Jesus Christ

9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:9 NIV)

- True peace comes from God, lasting through every trial and circumstance

27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. (John 14:27 NIV)

Peace and Hope

- God's presence gives us comfort and guidance throughout life's journey

8 I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.

(Psalm 32:8 NIV)

- God supplies the strength we need for today, allowing us to face challenges with His help

(Isaiah 40:31)

Peace and Hope

*31 but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.
(Isaiah 40:31 NIV)*

- We are given hope for the future through God's promises of eternal life and His continued care

11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11 NIV)

Great is Thy Faithfulness

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*Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided:
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*



GOD'S PROVISION

God's Provision

- God renews His mercies daily, giving us fresh grace for each new day

23 They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. (Lamentations 3:23 NIV)

- God is the provider of everything we need, spiritually and materially

19 And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:19 NIV)

God's Provision

- Each believer can personally experience God's faithfulness in their life

5 Your love, Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies. (Psalm 36:5 NIV)

- All good things come from God

17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. (James 1:17 NIV)

God's Provision

- The refrain is a declaration of praise and worship for God's steadfastness

1 I will sing of the Lord's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations. (Psalm 89:1 NIV)

Practical Application

- Reflect on how God has faithfully provided for your needs over the years, despite life's challenges
- Spend a few moments each day in prayer or meditation, focusing on God's presence & the peace He offers
- Take time to observe nature, praising God for His faithful creation
- Reflect on how God has sustained you in difficult times and trust Him with any current worries or future concerns



Discussion Questions

- In what ways have you experienced God's faithfulness throughout your life?
- How does knowing that God's presence is with you bring you comfort during challenging times, such as illness or loss?
- What are some specific blessings or provisions you are grateful for today?

Discussion Questions

- As you observe the changing seasons or the beauty of creation, how does it remind you of God's faithful and loving care for you?
- What does the promise of "bright hope for tomorrow" mean to you personally?
- How does it impact your outlook on life's uncertainties?

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