



# SERMON NOTES

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Use this sheet to help you think through the sermon today.

Preacher/Speaker

Scripture Passage

Additional Verses



Have you missed any of the sermons in this series? The first seven sermons of the series "TRUTH: Relative or Relevant" are available to download or stream online. Go to: <http://www.templerogers.org/sermons/truth-relative-or-relevant/>

What is the main idea of this sermon?	What key words/thoughts are important?
What did we learn about God from this passage?	
What does God want me to do or believe in response to this message?	
What was my favorite song lyric today?	What is something I didn't understand?

## Day One—Sermon Application

**Read the parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus in Luke 16:19-31** Spend some time meditating on this passage. Remember, a parable is an "earthly story with a heavenly meaning." **What are some of the things we can learn from this parable? What do we learn about the nature of hell from this passage?**

The Gospel of Matthew addresses the issues of hell and eternal punishment in several places. **Read the following sections from the Book of Matthew and then list as many things as possible that you learn about the nature of hell and eternal judgment—Matthew 10:26-42; 13:34-52; 25:31-46.**

## Day Two—Worship Preparation

Spend time today meditating on God's faithfulness—"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.

"Great is Thy faithfulness!" "Great is Thy faithfulness!"  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—  
"Great is Thy faithfulness," Lord, unto me!

**Great Is Thy Faithfulness** | Chris Rice (<https://youtu.be/0k1WhFtVp0o>)

## Day Three—Sermon Anticipation

Our God is unusual and unexpected. This next Sunday we will be studying from the first two chapters of Mathew. Chapter 1 is often overlooked but we find hope in the genealogy of Christ. If we look at some of the people in the genealogy, we find many broken people who failed miserably. It reminds us that God uses us in spite of ourselves. **Spend some time this week discovering the stories of a few of these people in Matthew 1.**

Let me get you started with a couple of them. Think about the author of this book for instance—**Matthew**, the tax collector, defector from Israel and loyalist to the Roman government. Another person to consider is **Judah**, the brother of one of the Old Testament's most famous characters, Joseph. Judah made it into the bloodline of Jesus but Joseph did not. Judah, the one who conspired with his brothers to kill Joseph and influenced his brothers to sell Joseph into slavery and convince their parents that he was killed, was included in the genealogy!

**God chose to work through Judah just like he chooses to work through people like you and me. If there's hope for them, there's hope for us too.**