

Introduction

- What is **faithful**?
 - literally "full of faith"

Jehoshaphat

- Son of Asa (**chps 14-16**), southern kingdom of Judah
 - near end of evil Ahab's reign (**chp.18**) (**he of the Jezebel fame!**)
 - generally a good king **17:3**
 - made a mistaken alliance with Ahab and got his knuckles rapped by God **18:1-19:3**

To be faithful...

- Know that God has acted in the past
- Face the fear of obedience now
 - what is the risk?
 - failure? financial? friends? death? security?
- Take a step of faith
 - pushing the boat out, obeying, relying on God in some specific way
- And see God prove himself faithful again!
 - so worship, give thanks as appropriate response

Stories of Faithfulness

- Me/ex-gf, reconciliation...
- Stories from books...
 - stories from our own testimony...