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The Lord wants you to live in His liberty and freedom.

Rom. 3:3-4 *What if some were unfaithful? Will their unfaithfulness nullify God's faithfulness? Not at all! Let God be true, and every human being a liar. As it is written: "So that you may be proved right when you speak and prevail when you judge."*

Paul is addressing the church in Rome in a letter he sent to them before his intended visit. The purpose for this incredibly inspired communication, was to encourage the Jews in Rome to not base their faith on the Law and trying to keep it. Instead, it was to base their faith on the One Who gave the Law, the LORD Himself. This is the classic picture of people who try to somehow gain salvation through works rather than God's grace.

Verse four points out that our unfaithfulness cannot nullify God's faithfulness. This is the strongest point in scripture about our LORD and His steadfast grace. We know that everyone has sinned. We have all let God down at many points in our lives. Even the pillars of the Bible did so. King David is listed as "a man after God's own heart." Yet he committed adultery with Bathsheba and had her husband murdered. Saul, later to be named Paul the apostle, persecuted the church and stood by at the killing of Christians. Simon Peter, one of the disciples, publicly denied knowing Jesus, in fear of his own life.

The scripture is replete with examples of many of God's people who let Him down and chose to sin instead of being faithful and obedient. We have all made that choice at times in our lives. Does this unfaithfulness nullify God's faithfulness? NOT AT ALL! Our loving LORD is always faithful and always will be. Aren't you grateful for that? I know I am!

Dear LORD, what a faithful God You are. Even when we slip and fall, You are there to forgive and lift us up to our feet again. You care so much for us. Help us to be faithful this day. In Jesus Name, Amen