

Sacred Stories

My Work is a Constant Reminder of the Faithfulness of God



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Suggested Sacred Text

Know therefore that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God, who keeps His covenant and His loving kindness to a thousandth generation with those who love Him and keep His commandments.

Deuteronomy 7:9

As I performed visitation in the critical care unit one afternoon, I came to the bedside of an unresponsive patient. I recognized her as a woman who had been my Sunday School teacher more than two decades before.

I prayed for grace for her journey and comfort for

her family. As I held her hand and quoted the Twenty-third Psalm, I became powerfully aware of the cycle of life and faith and the passing of mission and faith from generation to generation. My words at her bedside were the very words she had spoken to me many years before.

Someday, when I am facing the end of my own journey, I trust that someone will pause at my bedside to hold my hand and voice those words of faith for me. There is a hymn we often sing at my church: "Great is Thy Faithfulness, O God to Me." My work is a constant reminder to me of the faithfulness of God.

I experience joy in the ministry God gives me here at CARITAS. At one of the worst moments in

someone else's life, I know that my presence and my work makes God's faithfulness to them visible and concrete. When I go home at night, that knowledge makes a difference in all of my life.

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Questions for Reflection

In what ways do you experience joy in the ministry of your work?

What can you do in your own life to express God's faithfulness?