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INTEGRITY/LOYALTY SOH - Lesson 6

I. DEFINITIONS

- A. Integrity
 - Hebrew (Tom) completeness, fig. prosperity; (moral) uprightness, innocence, perfection.
 - 2. New International Dictionary
 - a. uprightness of character; honesty
 - b. soundness
 - c. completeness
 - d. synonyms fidelity, justice, virtue, worth
- B. Loyal New International Dictionary
 - 1. bearing true allegiance to constituted authority
 - 2. professing or indicative of faithful devotion
- C. Loyalty New International Dictionary
 - 1. devoted allegiance
 - 2. synonyms fidelity, allegiance

II. Integrity/Loyalty

A. Integrity is a character quality towards yourself and God.

Loyalty is a character quality from yourself to someone else.

B. The key word for integrity is uprightness.

The key word for loyalty is devotion.

- 1. **Devotion** (New International Dictionary)
 - a. Strong attachment or affection expressing itself in earnest service.
 - b. synonyms fidelity, attachment, allegiance, love, enthusiasm, zeal .
- C. God is faithful to His Word, but He is loyal to you.

III. Wisdom of Integrity

A. Proverbs 19:1 Better is the poor that walketh in his integrity, than he that is perverse in his lips, and is a fool.

(The Message) Better to be poor and honest, than a rich person no one can trust.

B. Proverbs 20:7 The just man walketh in his integrity: his children are blessed after him.

(The Message) God-loyal people, living honest lives, make it easier for their children.

C. Proverbs 11:3 The integrity of the upright shall guide them: but the perverseness of transgressors shall destroy them.

(The Message) The integrity of the honest keeps them on track; the deviousness of crooks brings them to ruin.

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IV. Faithful/Loyalty

- A. Faithful people go to church, loyal people come on time.
- B. Faithful people do what is expected, loyal people do beyond what is expected.
- C. Faithful people pay, their tithes loyal people give offerings.
- D. Job 2:1-9; 27:1-8 Genesis 20:1-18

V. Conclusion

1. Integrity is uprightness of heart.

(Integrity keeps motives pure).

2. Loyalty is devotion to another.

(Faithful is a commitment to an action,

loyalty is a commitment to a devotion).

3. Integrity of heart affects the loyalty to another.