

# Jeremiah 35:19

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;  
Jonadab the son of Rechab shall not want a man to stand  
before me for ever.

## Analysis

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God rewards the Rechabites' faithfulness with an eternal promise - they would never lack a man to serve before God. This doesn't mean literal presence but continued existence and favor. Covenant faithfulness, even to human authority, when it doesn't contradict God's law, receives divine blessing. How much more does faithfulness to God Himself secure our standing before Him through Christ.

## Historical Context

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This promise was given as Jerusalem faced destruction. While Judah would be exiled for disobedience, the Rechabites received blessing for obedience.

## Related Passages

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**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

**Ephesians 2:8** — Salvation by grace through faith

## Study Questions

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1. How does God honor faithfulness even when it seems insignificant to others?
2. What does this teach about the eternal significance of present obedience?

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**Jude 1:24** (Parallel theme): Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,