

GOD DOESN'T FORGET

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Our memory is a very unreliable keeper of the truth. Due to a variety of reasons we forget things... we forget facts and truths. When something is forgotten, then those memories are unable to be shared with others and that particular truth can be lost forever. Mankind has consistently forgotten the things that God has done for them; hence many are unaware of his promises. Just as the passing of time assists us to forget historical facts (allowing it to be rewritten); so to has man's potential relationship with God been distorted. God keeps us in touch with the truth through the continuous working of the Holy Spirit; always prompting us to offer the truth of Eternal Life to others. God's memory doesn't dim or change with the passing of time. Now that we are filled with His Spirit, we should never forget who we are, or what we stand for.

The Lord made an offer that we couldn't resist. PSA 103: 1 <<[A Psalm] of David.>> Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, [bless] his holy name. **2** Bless the LORD, O my soul, and **forget not** all his benefits: *The Lord offers salvation.* **3** Who **forgiveth all thine iniquities**; who **healeth all thy diseases**; **4** Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies; **5** Who satisfieth thy mouth with good [things; so that] thy youth is renewed like the eagle's. *We won't forget because we will always be young in spirit.* **12** As far as the east is from the west, [so] far hath he removed our transgressions from us. **13** Like as a father pitieth [his] children, [so] the LORD pitieth them that fear him.

Don't forget the safety margins that God has put around us. DEU 4:23 Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget the covenant of the LORD your God, which he made with you, and make you a graven image, [or] the likeness of any [thing], which the LORD thy God hath forbidden thee.

LUK 12:15 And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness (*greedy desire to have more*): for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.

1JOH 2:16 For all that [is] in the world, **the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life**, is not of the Father, but is of the world. *These three interrupt spiritual purposes... thus we don't desire anything in the world ahead of the Lord (money, possessions, immorality, employment, sport, personal doctrine, etc.,) and we won't become a victim of covetousness. If the Lord is first in your life... the Lord will give you the rest.*

God remembers and rewards people for the good that they do.

HEB 6:10 For God [is] not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister. *God never forgets a favour.*

MAT 25:34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: **35** For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: **36** Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. **37** Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed [thee]? or thirsty, and gave [thee] drink? **38** When saw we thee a stranger, and took [thee] in? or naked, and clothed [thee]? **39** Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? **40** And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done [it] unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done [it] unto me. *When you care for God's people, you care for God... he takes it personally.*

Sometimes people feel that God has forsaken them. ISA 49:13 Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for the LORD hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted. **14** But Zion said, The LORD hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath forgotten me. **15** Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee. *God always keeps all things in perspective, no matter what is happening.*

Don't forget to admit and attend to your sins... don't leave them hidden or undone. 1JOH 1:9 If we confess (*present tense*) our sins (*a violation of the divine law in thought or in act*), he is faithful and just to forgive (*God is not afraid to forgive*) us [our] sins, and to cleanse (2511 *...to purify from wickedness*) us from all unrighteousness (*everything*). *We have to confess our sin and not pretend that we are faultless and sinless. God forgets sin, but never forgets righteousness if we maintain our calling.*

Don't forget to keep up the Good work. 2COR 3:6 Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life. *We are encouraged to promote God and keep promoting him through our lives... it will get better and better.*

Don't ever forget the future that is awaiting you... God won't.