

Forget Not!

Reading: Matthew 16:1-12
"Forget not all His benefits" (Psa 103:2b)

In his farewell address to the nation of Israel in the Book of Deuteronomy, Moses mentions several important things God's people should never forget. A brief meditation of the same will help us, as we come to the last day of the year.

● *Forget not what you were before!*

"You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God redeemed you" (Dt 15:12-15; 16:10-12; 24:17,18,21,22). The quality of our present life depends on how much we remember the depth of our past sinful life against the height of God's redeeming love (Lk 7:36-47).

● *Forget not what God has promised!*

"Take heed to yourselves, lest you forget the covenant of the Lord" (Dt 4:23). Claim diligently all the promises you have received during regular meditation or on special occasions (Jn 12:14-16; Lk 24:6-8; Acts 11:15,16).

● *Forget not what was taught!*

"What other nation is so great as to have such righteous decrees and laws?...Only take heed to yourself...lest you forget" (Dt 4:8-10). Can we, the present generation who have heard so much preaching and teaching, testify like David, "I will not forget your Word" (Psa 119:16)?

● *Forget not the wonders!*

"Always remember the great trials... and the miraculous signs and wonders which your eyes had seen" (Dt 7:19). Read also 25:17-19. Jesus reminded His disciples of the twelve and seven baskets to stir up their faith (Mt 16:9,10). When we forget the past works of God, we limit God's power for the present need (Psa 78:41,42; 1 Sam 17:34-37).

● *Forget not how you provoked God!*

"Do not forget how you provoked the Lord your God in the wilderness" (Dt 9:7,24). God wants us to remember these instances at Horeb, Taberah and Kibroth lest we repeat them (Dt 9:8,22; 24:9; 8:2-5).

● *Forget not the Blessor!*

"When you have eaten and are full — then beware, lest you forget the Lord" (Dt 6:10-12). God's blessings should not be idolized. Heaven has no sunlight, moonlight or candlelight! The Lamb of God is everything there (Rev 21:22,23). We will have days of Heaven on earth when we remember God always and in all things!
