

Sun Morning

SERVING WITH REMEMBRANCE

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Text: Deuteronomy 8:11-20

"Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command thee this day: 12 Lest when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt therein; 13 And when thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied; 14 Then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the Lord thy God, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage; 15 Who led thee through that great and terrible wilderness, wherein were fiery serpents, and scorpions, and drought, where there was no water; who brought thee forth water out of the rock of flint; 16 Who fed thee in the wilderness with manna, which thy fathers knew not, that he might humble thee, and that he might prove thee, to do thee good at thy latter end; 17 And thou say in thine heart, My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth. 18 But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day. 19 And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the Lord thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish. 20 As the nations which the Lord destroyeth before your face, so shall ye perish; because ye would not be obedient unto the voice of the Lord your God." (Deuteronomy 8:11-20)

forgetting
God

continue
needing
God

pride
&
forgetting
God

consequences

INTRODUCTION

- A nation who knew God in the past (Judges 2:7)
- Nation's downward spiral
 - * Judah conquered their enemies (Jud 1:2)
 - * But the other tribes did not (Jud 1:21-36)
 - * God pauses his blessings (Jud 2:1-3)
 - * When a nation leaves God (Jud 2:10)
 - * No king & everyone did "right" in his own eyes (Judg 17:6, 21:25)

"And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no." (Deuteronomy 8:2)

God permits trials to prove human hearts
- to humble us

1. REMEMBER THE Principles OF THE LORD (v. 11)

"Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons;" (Deuteronomy 4:9)

do not forget

"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:" (John 10:27)

Jesus knows His sheep

"If ye love me, keep my commandments." (John 14:15)

"I am small and despised: Yet do not I forget thy precepts." (Psalm 119:141)

A. Forget Not the LORD

"Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget not all his benefits:" (Psalm 103:2)

Quote: "If we ever forget that we are One Nation Under God, then we will be a nation gone under."—Ronald Reagan

B. Forget Not His commandments

C. Forget Not His judgments

DIFFERENT KINDS OF JUDGEMENTS

1. Abandonment by God (Hosea 4:17)
2. Pestilence (Deuteronomy 28:21-22, Amos 4:10)
3. Enemies (2 Samuel 24:13)
4. Famine (Deuteronomy 28:38-40, Amos 4:7-9)
5. The Sword (Exodus 22:24, Jeremiah 19:7)
6. Captivity (Deuteronomy 28:41, Ezekiel 39:23)
7. Continued Sorrows (Psalm 32:10, Psalm 78:32-33, Ezekiel 24:23)
8. Destruction (Job 31:3, Psalm 34:16, Proverbs 2:22, Isaiah 11:4)

God's promised consequences

wars

~ God's warnings
* Prov 30:12 generation pure in its own eyes, & is not washed from filth
* Is 5:21 Woe to them wise in their own eyes & prudent in their own sight

group of people

INFLECTED UPON DISOBEDIENT

1. Nations (*Genesis 15:14, Jeremiah 51:20-21*)
2. Individuals (*Deuteronomy 29:20, Jeremiah 23:34*)
3. False gods (*Exodus 12:12, Numbers 33:4*)
4. All enemies of saints (*Jeremiah 30:16*)

"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." (Deuteronomy 4:23)

D. Forget Not His statutes

basis of social law

Quote: "We have staked our future on the 10 commandments."
— James Madison

SANCTITY OF LIFE

before conception

"Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations." (Jeremiah 1:5)

"Thou shalt not kill." (Exodus 20:13)

SANCTITY OF THE CHRISTIAN HOME

parent to children

"And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: 7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." (Deuteronomy 6:6-7)

HOMES THAT MODEL HONOR FOR MARRIAGE

"A Man and a woman are to come together in marriage as One Flesh." (Ephesians 5:31)

2. REMEMBER THE Power OF THE LORD

A. We Are Blessed By His blessed power (v. 12-17)

BEWARE OF PRIDE

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning." (James 1:17)

"And Moses said unto the people, Remember this day, in which ye came out from Egypt, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand the LORD brought you out from this place: there shall no leavened bread be eaten." (Exodus 13:3)

"Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits."
(Psalm 103:2)

BEWARE OF SELF EXALTATION

- B. We Are Blessed For His purpose
(v. 18)

3. REMEMBER THE Promise OF THE LORD (v. 19-20)

- A. To the disobedient

GOD CALLS US TO REMEMBER

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance." (Psalm 33:12) teaching to remember God

"And God spake all these words, saying, 2 I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. 3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me. 4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: 5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;" (Exodus 20:1-5)

Quote: "The general principles on which the fathers achieved independence were the general principles of Christianity."—
John Adams

GOD WARNS US IF WE TURN FROM HIM

- B. To the obedient

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." (2 Chronicles 7:14)

remain humble with God

HUMBLE

"But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble." (James 4:6)

proud vs humble

PRAY

TURN around to correct direction

"And if thy people Israel be put to the worse before the enemy, because they have sinned against thee; and shall return and confess thy name, and pray and make supplication before thee in this house;" (2 Chronicles 6:24)

"Then hear thou from the heavens, and forgive the sin of thy people Israel, and bring them again unto the land which thou gavest to them and to their fathers." (2 Chronicles 6:25)

"And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:" (Acts 17:30)

CONCLUSION

- Mt 19:4-6, 12

- * God created humankind male & female
 - x easily also seen in animals
- * God created 2 genders
- * God created marriage
 - x husband & wife
 - x union into one flesh
 - x union of soul & flesh
- * Subject of eunuchs

"For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; And plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee." (Psalm 86:5)

- x gender surgery involves becoming "eunuchs"
 - some born this way - infertile
 - some made eunuchs under the knife
 - some voluntary became eunuchs made by self will