

Let Us Always Remember Certain Things  
(2 Peter 1:12-15)

Introduction:

1. When Peter wrote this letter he knew that his life would soon end (vs.14).
2. In this portion of his letter Peter placed special emphasis on always remembering certain things.
  - a. He said he would do this as long as he lived.
  - b. After his life ended, he wanted Christians to always remember these things.
3. The theme of our lesson is based on the statements found in these verses: "let us always remember certain things."

Discussion:

- I. LET US ALWAYS REMEMBER OUR CREATOR
  - A. This admonition is given in Ecclesiastes 12:1.
  - B. Those who always remember God will be blessed (Psalm 20:6-8).
  - C. Remembering God includes remembering and meditating upon His works and wonders (Psalm 77:11-12).
  - D. The Bible covers both the positive and negative sides of remembering God.
    1. The positive side is covered in Psalm 33:12.
    2. The negative side is covered in Psalm 9:17.
- II. LET US ALWAYS REMEMBER CHRIST AND HIS SACRIFICE
  - A. This admonition is given in Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26.
  - B. Tomorrow will be observed as Memorial Day in our country -- it is a time for remembering the sacrifices made by so many (John 15:13).
  - C. According to Acts 20:7, every Sunday is Memorial Day for Christians -- we remember Christ and His sacrifice.
- III. LET US ALWAYS REMEMBER THE WORDS OF CHRIST
  - A. This admonition is given in Acts 20:35.
  - B. Jesus said in John 6:63 that His words "*are spirit, and they are life.*"
  - C. Remembering the Lord's Words includes remembering the words of the apostles.
    1. Jude 17
    2. 2 Peter 3:1-2
- IV. LET US ALWAYS REMEMBER THE GOSPEL
  - A. This admonition is given in 1 Corinthians 15:1-2.
  - B. We are saved by the Gospel if we "keep it in memory."
  - C. After receiving it, we are to stand in it (Romans 1:16-17).
- V. LET US ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT GOD BLESSES THOSE WHO OBEY HIM
  - A. This admonition is given in Romans 6:17-18; 1 Peter 1:22-23.
  - B. The Bible also points out the fate of those who disobey God.
    1. Luke 17:32
    2. Jude 5
    3. 1 Peter 4:17

Conclusion:

1. There are many more, but we have examined 5 things that we must always remember.
2. Peter understood the importance of being reminded of these things on a regular basis.
3. The apostle Paul also understood this (1 Timothy 4:6).
4. Let us always remember these things!