



Never Forget to Always Remember

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The Statue of Liberty was a 100th birthday gift from France as a reminder of our unity and friendship.

Wedding rings are daily reminders of the love commitment a husband and wife never want to forget.

Never Forget to Always Remember...

What are God's calendar events?

- Why do they matter?
- What do they signify?
- How can believers participate today?

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- Daily Devotions
- Weekly Sabbath
- Monthly Priority
- Annual Feasts:
 - Passover / Unleavened Bread
 - First fruits / Weeks
 - Trumpets / New Year
 - Day of Atonement
 - Tabernacles

Why do they matter? What are their meanings?

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Why?

Begin & end each day with God
Rest in God as Creator and Redeemer
Find your orbit in His space every new moon
Travel through time in God's vessels
God brought us out in a hurry
God brings us into the land of promise
God makes us ready
God covers all sin
God provides in the wilderness



Never forget to always remember...

- Begin and end every day with God
- Rest weekly in God's work as Creator and Redeemer
- Find your orbit in God's space with each new month
- Travel through time in the vessels God provided

- Bring you out and to bring you in
- Make you ready and cover all sin
- Provide in your wilderness journey

Each event day had a prescribed offering (animals, grain, drink) the people were to bring in response to God's gifts.

Offerings required for the Feast of Tabernacles (8 days)

- 71 young bulls
- 15 rams
- 105 male lambs
- 8 male goats

199 animals in total, all without defects.

These days reminded them of lessons learned by reentering the stories in their worship.

How can believers participate in these meanings today?

The New Testament lists spiritual sacrifices we can bring in worship to God.

1. Offer yourself

"Present your body to God as a living sacrifice...your spiritual act of worship." *Romans 12:1*

2. Voice your praise

"Let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise." *Hebrews 13:15*

3. Lift your prayers

"...golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God's people." *Revelation 5:8*

4. Be generous in doing good

"Do not forget to do good and to share with others for with such sacrifices God is pleased." *Hebrews 13:16*

5. Give financially to God's ministry



“...the gifts you sent...are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God.”
Philippians 4:18

6. Share Christ with others

“...so that the Gentiles might become an offering acceptable to God, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.” *Romans 15:16*

7. Obey God’s call

“...I am being poured out like a drink offering...” *Philippians 2:17*

“...I am already being poured out like a drink offering...” *2 Timothy 4:6*

Key Principles

- We live by God’s grace.
Salvation and life in God’s promise is by His grace.
- We give from God’s resources.
We only give to God from what's already His.
- We serve in God’s purposes and mission.
We join Him in the great work of sharing the matchless life of Jesus Christ.

Do you have these rhythms of remembering in your life – to help you rely on God daily?

What offerings / sacrifices have you been bringing?

What would you like to bring?

Which one is the Lord speaking to you about?

What are you going to do with it?

If you’ve been searching but not finding God, Psalm 105 tells us to persist by listening to others stories of how it happened for them.

Matthew opens his gospel weaving the story we’ve just told so people will see God at work in Jesus as God’s chosen Messiah – the Savior of the world.

Matthew 1 – Abraham’s seed comes to fruit in Jesus the Messiah.

Matthew 2 – The Blessing is for the world as the Magi follow the star (Num. 24:17). The holy family was in Egypt so “out of Egypt I have called my son.”

Matthew 3 – Jesus parts the Jordan River in his baptism (death & resurrection).



Matthew 4 – Jesus in the wilderness of testing 40 days.

Matthew 5 – Jesus on the Mount speaking as God. “You’ve heard it said...but I say to you.”

Do you know Him as your Messiah?

