

16 October 2016: Preached by Preacher Clement Chew

Topic: Remember Thy Creator!

Scripture text: Ecclesiastes 12:1-14

1. We tend to forget the source of all good things when we have material wealth and physical health. Forgetting is part of man's nature as age catches up. When we are at the peak of our lives, we must be thankful and grateful to God for all that He has provided. We must remember that God is our Creator and has sustained us.
2. Firstly, remember our Creator in the days of our youth (v1-2). When we are still young adults, we have clear minds, healthy bodies and are able to accomplish tasks easily. During this period of our lives, we must remember our Creator, the source of our possessions, health and breath. The pitfall of material prosperity is that we will forget God. We must keep our eyes on Jesus Christ and acknowledge Him in all our ways.
3. Secondly, serve our Creator in the days of our youth (v3-8). It is a natural progression that man will age and eventually die one day. Our frail bodies will hinder us from serving God even if we have the desire to do so. We are reminded to live fruitful lives for the service of God while we have energy and youth. When we remember God, God will remember us and use us for His glory.
4. Thirdly, live in remembrance of our Creator (v9-14). We must strive to live in constant remembrance of our Creator by fearing God and keeping His commandments. We must fear God and not compromise in any area of our lives, for He knows all our secret thoughts and deeds and will judge us one day. We can only keep God's commandments if we study the Bible with eyes of faith and submissive hearts to the Word of Truth. The Word of God will direct our ways and ground us firmly so that we will not stray from following Him.