

4 November 2018: Preached by Rev Clement Chew

Topic: Never Forget!

Scripture text: Deuteronomy 8:10-20

1. We only remember things we regard as precious. We are a forgetful people but we must never forget the Lord, His Word and His goodness towards us.

2. We are most prone to forget the Lord when we have received His blessings and take Him for granted. Instead, the right attitude should be to praise the Lord without delay. (verse 10). The way to not forget the Lord is to guard our hearts from temptations to sin against Him (verse 11). We can overcome sin by reading God's Word meditatively and praying for ourselves and others. We must never forget the Lord for without Christ we can do nothing.

3. The children of Israel have not entered the Promised Land but the Lord warned them that it is easiest to forget the Lord when they are filled with pride (verses 12 to 14). Being prideful is to exalt oneself and rob God of His glory (verse 17). It was of the Lord's mercy that the Israelites were delivered from deadly bites and were provided with food and water (verse 15). God's protection and provision must humble us and give us a contrite spirit to seek His daily grace (verse 16).

4. We must glorify God with our bodies and riches, it is our reasonable service after experiencing the goodness of God's salvation (verse 18). If we remain forgetful and unthankful towards the Lord, we will lose the joy of walking with the Lord and of enjoying His spiritual blessings (verses 19 to 20).