

**NEW YEAR'S
"Remembering God"
December 31, 2023**

Luke 17:11-19 *Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. 12 As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance 13 and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!" 14 When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. 15 One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. 16 He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan. 17 Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? 18 Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" 19 Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."* (NLT)

1. Listen NOW so you don't FALL later.

Deuteronomy 8:6-9 *So obey the commands of the Lord your God by walking in his ways and fearing him. 7 For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land of flowing streams and pools of water, with fountains and springs that gush out in the valleys and hills. 8 It is a land of wheat and barley; of grapevines, fig trees, and pomegranates; of olive oil and honey. 9 It is a land where food is plentiful and nothing is lacking. It is a land where iron is as common as stone, and copper is abundant in the hills.* (NLT)

- **Remember God is the GIVER of your blessing.**

Deuteronomy 8:10 *When you have eaten your fill, be sure to praise the Lord your God for the good land he has given you.* (NLT)

2. Don't forget WHERE you came from.

Deuteronomy 8:11-14 *But that is the time to be careful! Beware that in your plenty you do not forget the Lord your God and disobey his commands, regulations, and decrees that I am giving you today. 12 For when you have become full and prosperous and have built fine homes to live in, 13 and when your flocks and herds have become very large and*

your silver and gold have multiplied along with everything else, be careful! 14 Do not become proud at that time and forget the Lord your God, who rescued you from slavery in the land of Egypt. (NLT)

- **Remember God's hand has ALWAYS been upon you.**

Deuteronomy 8:15-16 *Do not forget that he led you through the great and terrifying wilderness with its poisonous snakes and scorpions, where it was so hot and dry. He gave you water from the rock! 16 He fed you with manna in the wilderness, a food unknown to your ancestors. He did this to humble you and test you for your own good.* (NLT)

3. Don't get too big for your BRITCHES.

Deuteronomy 8:17 *He did all this so you would never say to yourself, "I have achieved this wealth with my own strength and energy."* (NLT)

- **Remember your blessing has come by God's POWER.**

Deuteronomy 8:18 *Remember the Lord your God. He is the one who gives you power to be successful, in order to fulfill the covenant he confirmed to your ancestors with an oath.* (NLT)

4. Don't think God is going to let this SLIDE.

Deuteronomy 8:19-20 *But I assure you of this: If you ever forget the Lord your God and follow other gods, worshiping and bowing down to them, you will certainly be destroyed. 20 Just as the Lord has destroyed other nations in your path, you also will be destroyed if you refuse to obey the Lord your God.* (NLT)

- **Remember to continually give THANKS to God.**

Psalms 79:13 *Then we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will thank you forever and ever, praising your greatness from generation to generation.* (NLT)