

# REMEMBER

## **Psalms 105:4, 5 and 8**

*Seek the LORD, and His strength: seek His face evermore. Remember His marvelous works that He hath done; his wonders, and the judgments of His mouth . . . He hath remembered His covenant for ever, the word which He commanded to a thousand generations.*

Memorial Day is set aside to remember those who have served in our nation's armed forces and fallen in wars. Sadly, the COVID 19 pandemic has impeded how we normally would have pass the day with picnics, family gatherings, or outdoor projects that we would not have even given much thought to the real meaning of the day. That's too bad, because remembering does many things. It brings back the reality of what actually happened. It also encourages us see the dedication of those who fought and died. Remembering stirs within us a sense of gratitude and appreciation, and it strengthens our resolve to do our part in serving God, country and others.



Throughout the Bible, God's people are instructed to stop and recall what He did for them. Psalm 105 is a song of remembrance of God's goodness to His beloved ones. It traces His direction, provision and protection through their history and the lives of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, and Moses. As believers in the 21st century, we can look back over a much

longer history and see how God's plan has and is unfolding, and observe His incredible goodness to us.

Psalm 105:1-5 shows the natural progression of what happens when we pause to remember—We give thanks to Him and continue calling on Him. We sing of Him, and talk with fellow believers of all He has done. Then we must go tell others of His greatness. When we stop to trace the work of God's hand in my life and in the world around us, these things just come naturally.

But the key to being able to rejoice in the past is not found in counting the number of good things that have happened, but in remembering that God remembers! We can rejoice because He never forgets His plan and He never forsake His promises. Even when life is tough and things don't seem to make sense to us, we can rest assured that He is in control and He is working out His plan. He has our best interest at heart. Knowing this encourages and strengthens and pushes us to do my best to live for Him.

Let us remember all of those that have given their lives for this country. Let us remember their families who cherish their memory and legacy. Let us remember ALL God continues to do in our lives.