

Memorial Day, 2023



It's so easy to forget

- Are you forgetful?
- What helps you remember?

# Memorials help us Remember

- 18 ‘memorial’ verses in NIV
- 161 ‘remember’ verses in NIV
- We need reminders because we forget

# Joshua 4.1-7

JOS 4:1 When the whole nation had finished crossing the Jordan, the LORD said to Joshua, <sup>2</sup> "Choose twelve men from among the people, one from each tribe, <sup>3</sup> and tell them to take up twelve stones from the middle of the Jordan from right where the priests stood and to carry them over with you and put them down at the place where you stay tonight."

JOS 4:4 So Joshua called together the twelve men he had appointed from the Israelites, one from each tribe, <sup>5</sup> and said to them, "Go over before the ark of the LORD your God into the middle of the Jordan. Each of you is to take up a stone on his shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the Israelites, <sup>6</sup> to serve as a sign among you.

- In the future, when your children ask you, `What do these stones mean?' <sup>7</sup> tell them that the flow of the Jordan was cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD. When it crossed the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. These stones are to be a **memorial** to the people of Israel forever."

# Genesis 9.15-16

Gen 9.15 **I will remember** my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life. <sup>16</sup> Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and **remember** the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth."





# Ecclesiastes 12

ECC 12:1 **Remember** your Creator

in the days of your youth,

before the days of trouble come

and the years approach when you will  
say,

"I find no pleasure in them"--

ECC 12:6 **Remember** him--before the silver  
cord is severed,  
or the golden bowl is broken;  
before the pitcher is shattered at the  
spring,  
or the wheel broken at the well,

# When we forget . . .

- Who God is
- Who we are
- How we were reconciled
- **OUR PURPOSE** for being here!
- Then all is meaningless

# Reminders

- Remember your Creator
- I will remember my covenant between me and you

# God's Covenant with us:

- What is the new covenant?
- Jesus paid the penalty for all sin
- Our relationship with God is restored
- Jesus offers:
- *Forgiveness*
- *Freedom*
- *Love*

- We remember those who sacrificed  
for our freedom
- *We remember Him who Sacrificed  
for our freedom*



EUGENE R.



JACKSON

CO. C. 20TH ME. VOL.

MAY 22

AUG 16

1840

1922





OVANDO R CARPENTER

US ARMY

WORLD WAR I

1890

1978



LAWRENCE M SILVIUS

TEC 5 US ARMY

WORLD WAR II

JAN 20 1908



MAR 27 19



RICHARD R. NOSS

SFC US ARMY

WORLD WAR II

OCT 9 1917

NOV 16 1988



FRANK SUTHER MURRAY

QM2 US NAVY

WORLD WAR II

DEC 14 1909

JUL 6 2000

CLIFFORD A CRAIG

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WORLD WAR II

FEB 21 1909

DEC 4 1963



JOHN SANDFORD

PFC US ARMY

FEB 7 1897

JAN 23 1972

FRANK H PARKER

SGT US ARMY

WORLD WAR II

1912

1981



VINCENT D GODFREY

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WORLD-WAR II

AUG 9 1917

JUL 19 1992





LEON L DUNNING

SGT US ARMY

WORLD WAR II

JUL 22 1915

SEP 26 1972



COLONEL E HAHN

CPL US ARMY

WORLD WAR II

OCT 24 1904

JUL 2 2000



HERBERT C PARKER

1ST LT US ARMY

WORLD WAR II KOREA

NOV 21 1919

MAR 29 1999



MARK A CRAIG

TEC 5 US ARMY

WORLD WAR II

FEB 7 1907

APR 16 1977



CARL R WEBSTER

SGT US ARMY AIR CORPS

WORLD WAR II

FEB 23 1908

AUG 20 1994

"ONE STEP THOU SEEST—THEN GO FORWARD BOLD  
ONE STEP IS FAR ENOUGH FOR FAITH TO SEE." FRANK

ROBERT WESTON  
SWEET JR.  
MAR. 18, 1937  
JULY 17, 2019



MARRIED  
June 11, 1961

JOY  
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MAY



BURTON T SWEET

SA US NAVY

MAY 28 1940

MAY 23 2014



AURUM ALNITA ALDRICH

PFC US ARMY

WORLD WAR II

MAY 4 1922

SEP 3 2007







ANDERSON

LOUISE B.

MAR. 19, 1926

MAR. 12, 2011

PHILIP R.

JULY 31, 1924

DEC. 23, 2017

*Resting in Peace A Loving & Caring Man*

# Jesus made the ultimate sacrifice so we might be free

- Mark 10.<sup>45</sup> For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."
- Jn 15.13 Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends.<sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command.

# Remember:

- God loves you!
- Jesus died for you!
- Freedom was or is never free!