

THEME: Remember Jesus Christ!

April 21, 2019 – II Timothy 2:8-13 (NIV)

“Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's Word is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

Here is a trustworthy saying: If we died with Him, we will also live with Him; if we endure, we will also reign with Him. If we disown Him, He will also disown us; if we are faithless, He will remain faithful, for He cannot disown Himself.”

If someone forgets to pay the heat bill or the electric bill for a long enough time, there is a good chance that when the bill gets too high, the heat will be turned off the electricity to the house will be turned off. If someone forgets to put gas in their vehicle, one runs out of gas and ends up being stranded.

In this text, the Apostle Paul is writing to a young Pastor by the name of Timothy.

So Paul is in Prison, In Rome.

God through the Apostle Paul tells Timothy to “Remember Jesus Christ.”

This is far more important that remembering to put gas in ones vehicle or to pay the heat and electric bill.

The reason is: to forget Jesus Christ means spending eternity in hell where the worm does not die, and there is weeping and gnashing of teeth and you do NOT get you new glorified body. In hell you keep the broken down body. As the worm will never die.

Jesus Christ is the only way to salvation as we learn in Acts 4:12 – ***“Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men, by which we must be saved.”***

And so it is important to heed these words of our Lord through the Apostle Paul:

Vs 12 - If we endure, we will also reign with Him.

If we disown Him, He will also disown us;

The Lord through the Apostle Paul also gives us these words of comfort: **Vs. 13 - *If we are faithless, He will remain faithful, for He cannot disown Himself.***

All the times in your life that you were unfaithful to Jesus, Jesus was and still is there for you.

Your salvation is still there.

In Christ Jesus, The anointed ONE, Who would Save His people from their sin.

A serious danger of forgetting Jesus is that we do not know when Jesus will come again, nor do we not know when we will die.

And So: **Vs. 8 – *Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead,*** AMEN