

Vs. 10 - When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the LORD your God for the good land he has given you.

Vs. 11 - Be careful that you do not forget the LORD your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day.

The reason you are here this evening or watching this video, is precisely because you REMEMBER the Lord, Who as **verse Vs. 18 tells us:** - **“It is HE Who gives you the ability to produce wealth,”**

The People of Israel spent 430 years in the land of Egypt.

At first things went well, while Joseph was 2nd in Command in all of Egypt.

After Joseph died, the Pharaoh of Egypt forgot about Joseph, and as the Pharaoh of Egypt saw that the Israelites were increasing in number and prosperous, he enslaved the Israelites for fear that they would rise up against Egypt.

And so after hundreds of years in slavery in the land of Egypt, the people of Israel cried out to the Lord God, who then sent Moses to lead them to the Promise land.

God of course delivered the people of Israel from the hands of the Egyptians with Mighty Acts of the 10 plagues. God then divided the waters of the Red (Reed) Sea and the people of Israel passed through to the other side on dry ground, while the Egyptian army was destroyed by the waters which crashed down upon them.

(A picture of Baptism in which the waters of Baptism brings life and creates the New Man, while at the same time drown the Old Sinful Nature)

Unfortunately, shortly after the people of Israel were freed from slavery, they “Forgot” what the Lord God had done for them, and they worshipped the Golden Calf.

{**Psalm 106** describes how the people of Israel forgot the Lord again and again and describes some of the incidents as the people of Israel wandered in the wilderness.}

For us living in 2020, it is important for us to continue to REMEMBER that it is The Lord Who has given us our family, our jobs, our homes, and the ability to work so that we can live each day.

It is MOST important to remember that even though God has not delivered us from slavery in Egypt, He has delivered us from the slavery of sin, death and the devil. God did this in Christ Jesus on the Cross.

ROMANS Chapter six – select verses (NIV): Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? 2 By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? 3 Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. 5 If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection. 6 For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— 7 because anyone who has died has been freed from sin. 8 Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. 10 The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. 16 Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone to obey him as slaves, you are slaves to the one whom you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness? 17 But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you wholeheartedly obeyed the form of teaching to which you were entrusted. 18 You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness. 20 When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. 21 What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death! 22 But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves to God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” AMEN

THEME: How Thankful Are You With What God Has Given You?

- I. Food
- II. Good Land
- III. Fine Houses
- IV. Flocks - Herds – Silver & Gold
- V. Set Free From Slavery of Sin – death and the devil. Free to live for Christ – here & Forever in heaven