

# MESSAGE NOTES | MAY 30



## Don't Forget

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Deuteronomy 8:11, p.127

Holidays are essentially designed to help us remember. There are family holidays better known as anniversaries and birthdays. There are national holidays like Memorial Day and Independence Day. There are religious holidays like Christmas and Easter. Even God gave His people annual holidays like Passover and the Day of Atonement, specifically designed to help His people to "Be careful...do not forget the Lord your God." How could anyone forget God?

### As incredible as it may seem:

1. Our tendency is to **neglect** our God.
2. Our tendency is to relax our **diligence** for God.
3. Our tendency is to take things from God **for granted**.
4. Our tendency is to view a test as evidence of God's **absence**.

### Signs of Neglect:

- **I no longer treat Jesus with respect.**
- **I am no longer in awe of what Jesus has done to rescue me.**
- **I am bored with the Word of God.**
- **I find it difficult to celebrate and praise Him with my own lips.**
- **I obey, pray, serve, give...out of obligation/show rather than out of love.**

THE **ONE THING:** **"Diligence causes us to remember."**  
**or "Neglect causes us to forget."**

## NEXT STEPS

- Memorize Deuteronomy 8:11.
- Do you detect any signs of neglect?
- Pray for the USA.
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

## DISCOVERY QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY OR GROUP DISCUSSION

*Check-In: Since we last met, how did your "I will..." and sharing go?*

1. What are you thankful for? What challenge or stress are you facing? Do you know anyone who needs help at this time? As a group, how can we help?
2. Read **EXODUS 32:1-14** together (at least twice), and take turns retelling it in your own words as if sharing with a friend who isn't here.
3. What stands out to you and why? What do these verses tell us about God? What do these verses tell us about humanity/about us?
4. If this is God speaking, how will you apply it to your life?  
*(Share a specific: "I will...")*
5. Who will you share with before we meet again?  
*(Name a specific person you plan to **share with**.)*

*If you'd like to learn more about the discovery group process, connect with [marcus@oakwoodnow.org](mailto:marcus@oakwoodnow.org)*