

JULY 19th, 2020

FORGETTING TO REMEMBER
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TALK IT OVER

Talking through the message during the week can really help clarify the things that God is teaching you and let others learn from your experiences.

What thought stood out most to you in the message?

In what kind of situation are you most likely to "forget" the Lord? Hard times? Extra-good times? Ordinary times? Why do you think that happens?

Do you have any particular way(s) of remembering significant events when God showed up for you or your family? How have they helped you?

Read 1Peter 2:4-5. In what ways are you being like a "living stone?" What part of your life do non-Christians most often ask about and how do you answer them?

What purpose do you think building a second memorial in the Jordan served? *Joshua also built another memorial of twelve stones in the middle of the Jordan, at the place where the priests who carried the Ark of the Covenant were standing. (Joshua 4:9, NLT)*

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