EDGEMONT BIBLE CHURCH



PASTOR DOUGLAS A WHITE

"BEING A RESTORED HUMAN"



"REMEMBERING" 1 SAMUEL 17:29; HEBREWS 12:1-2

I. IS THERE NOT A CAUSE? THE REASON WE REMEMBER

- A. The innocent <u>bravery</u> of youthful faith
 - 1. Personal dependent relationship with God; an anointed, Spirit-filled young man
 - 2. Learns <u>responsibility</u> early
 - 3. Lives on the land <u>interdependently</u>; familiar with difficulties, problem-solving and challenges
 - 4. Knows the history of his land and loves it
 - 5. Senses his <u>purpose</u> before God
- B. Confident in God's purpose for the nation
- C. Knows the <u>Torah</u> the founding documents; the covenant with God
- D. Clear-eyed focus

II. IS THERE NOT A CAUSE? WHAT TO REMEMBER

- A. Consider the great cloud of <u>witnesses</u> Heb 11
 - 1. Men and women of faith and courage
 - 2. Heroes worthy of imitation
- B. Remember the witnesses and what they did
 - 1. Know what is truly important
 - 2. Tell the stories of <u>authentic</u> heroes
 - 3. Recognize the ones whose feats were smaller
 - 4. Raise the standard by identifying principles
- C. Return to purpose
- D. <u>Dump</u> the <u>junk</u> that does not fit the purpose

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III. IS THERE NOT A CAUSE? FOCUS ON WHO TO REMEMBER

- A. Looking unto Jesus the witnesses speak of faith in a <u>coming</u> city, a <u>coming</u> world of blessedness
- B. The Author and Finisher of our faith
 - 1. Jesus is the Eternal Son of God, the Creator of it all
 - 2. Jesus is the First born of the dead the Inheritor of it all, its Redeemer and its Restorer of it all
 - 3. Jesus died in the <u>past</u> to secure the <u>future</u>
- C. Who for the joy of the future endured the pain
- D. We look back on the past to look forward to the future; it is to remember what He did in order to secure the new world coming.
- E. Our motivation for living is not out of <u>debt</u> and <u>obligation</u> to His past actions
 - 1. It is to warn all of the <u>future</u> ahead
 - 2. It is to prepare to live properly in the <u>next</u> world 1 Tim 4:8; 2 Peter 1:5-11
 - 3. It is to live in the fear of the LORD of the future
 - 4. It is for <u>accountability</u> for we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ.

IV. IS THERE NOT A CAUSE? WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT

- A. Is there anything in the cause of America that is the teaching of Christ? Is worthy of keeping? Is of absolute worth?
- B. Know the story; tell the story with faith and enthusiasm; get away from the screen; get outside and to work; teach the values and responsibilities



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