# Growing Mentally #SermonMind Growing God's Way Part 4 Dr. Mark Jackson - September 24, 2017

2 Peter 1:12-15

**2 Peter 3:18** But **grow** in the grace and **knowledge** of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (ICB)

#### What We Need To Remember

#### 1. REMEMBER YOUR DUTY

**2 Peter 1:12a** Therefore, <u>I will always be ready to remind you</u> of these things... (NASB)

**Luke 22:32** But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith will not fail. So when you recover, **strengthen the other disciples**. (GW)

**Psalm 103:2** Yes, I will bless the Lord and **not forget** the glorious things he does for me. (LB)

**Deuteronomy 4:9** You must **be very careful not to forget** the things you have seen God do for you. **Keep reminding yourselves**, and **tell your children and grandchildren** as well. (CEV)

#### 2. REMEMBER THE TRUTH

2 Peter 1:12b ...even though <u>you already know them</u>, and have been <u>established in</u> the truth which is present with you. (NASB)

#### How to Remember God's Word

# I HAVE TO LEARN IT

**Hosea 4:6** My people will be destroyed, because **they have no knowledge**. You have **refused to learn**... (NCV)

#### I HAVE TO GROW IN IT

**Colossians 2:7** Let your roots grow down into Christ, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will **grow strong in the truth** you were taught... (NLT)

### I HAVE TO PRACTICE IT

John 13:17 Now that you know this truth... put it into practice! (TEV)

# 3. REMEMBER <u>LIFE IS SHORT</u>

2 Peter 1:13 I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to <u>stir you up by way of</u> <u>reminder</u>, <sup>14</sup> since I know that the <u>putting off of my body</u> will be <u>soon</u>, as our Lord <u>Jesus Christ made clear to me</u>. (ESV)

**Psalm 90:12** Teach us to <u>realize the brevity of life</u>, so that we may <u>grow in wisdom</u>. (NLT)

## 4. REMEMBER WHAT YOU HAVE

**2 Peter 1:15** And <u>I will make every effort</u> to see that after my departure you will always be able to remember these things. (NIV)

#### **How God Helps Us Remember**

## THROUGH THE BIBLE

Romans 15:4 And the Scriptures were written to teach and encourage us by giving us hope. (CEV)

## • THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT

**John 14:26** But the Holy Spirit will come and help you, because the Father will send the Spirit to take my place. The Spirit will teach you everything and <u>will remind you</u> of what I said while I was with you. (CEV)

#### THROUGH THE CHURCH

**Ephesians 5:4b** ...**remind each other** of God's goodness, and be thankful. (LB)