

## Selected Scriptures on Forgetting God, His Commandments, and His Works

**Deuteronomy 4:9** <sup>9</sup> ¶ "Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children—

**Deuteronomy 4:23-24** <sup>23</sup> Take care, lest you forget the covenant of the LORD your God, which he made with you, and make a carved image, the form of anything that the LORD your God has forbidden you. <sup>24</sup> For the LORD your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God.

**Deuteronomy 6:10-12** <sup>10</sup> ¶ "And when the LORD your God brings you into the land that he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you—with great and good cities that you did not build, <sup>11</sup> and houses full of all good things that you did not fill, and cisterns that you did not dig, and vineyards and olive trees that you did not plant—and when you eat and are full, <sup>12</sup> then take care lest you forget the LORD, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

**Deuteronomy 8:11-19** <sup>11</sup> ¶ "Take care lest you forget the LORD your God by not keeping his commandments and his rules and his statutes, which I command you today, <sup>12</sup> lest, when you have eaten and are full and have built good houses and live in them, <sup>13</sup> and when your herds and flocks multiply and your silver and gold is multiplied and all that you have is multiplied, <sup>14</sup> then your heart be lifted up, and you forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, <sup>15</sup> who led you through the great and terrifying wilderness, with its fiery serpents and scorpions and thirsty ground where there was no water, who brought you water out of the flinty rock, <sup>16</sup> who fed you in the wilderness with manna that your fathers did not know, that he might humble you and test you, to do you good in the end. <sup>17</sup> Beware lest you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.' <sup>18</sup> You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day. <sup>19</sup> And if you forget the LORD your God and go after other gods and serve them and worship them, I solemnly warn you today that you shall surely perish.

**Deuteronomy 9:7** <sup>7</sup> Remember and do not forget how you provoked the LORD your God to wrath in the wilderness. From the day you came out of the land of Egypt until you came to this place, you have been rebellious against the LORD.

**Judges 3:7** <sup>7</sup> ¶ And the people of Israel did what was evil in the sight of the LORD. They forgot the LORD their God and served the Baals and the Asheroth.

**1 Samuel 12:8-9** <sup>8</sup> When Jacob went into Egypt, and the Egyptians oppressed them, then your fathers cried out to the LORD and the LORD sent Moses and Aaron, who brought your fathers out of Egypt and made them dwell in this place. <sup>9</sup> But they forgot the LORD their God. And he sold them into the hand of Sisera, commander of the army of Hazor, and into the hand of the Philistines, and into the hand of the king of Moab. And they fought against them.

**Psalms 9:16-17** <sup>16</sup> The LORD has made himself known; he has executed judgment; the wicked are snared in the work of their own hands. Higgsion. Selah <sup>17</sup> The wicked shall return to Sheol, all the nations that forget God.

**Psalms 78:1-11** Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth! <sup>2</sup> I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, <sup>3</sup> things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us. <sup>4</sup> We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done. <sup>5</sup> He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers to teach to their children, <sup>6</sup> that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children, <sup>7</sup> so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments; <sup>8</sup> and that they should not be like their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation, a generation whose heart was not steadfast, whose spirit was not faithful to God. <sup>9</sup> The Ephraimites, armed with the bow, turned back on the day of battle. <sup>10</sup> They did not keep God's covenant, but refused to walk according to his law. <sup>11</sup> They forgot his works and the wonders that he had shown them.

**Psalms 103:1-5** Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! <sup>2</sup> Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, <sup>3</sup> who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, <sup>4</sup> who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, <sup>5</sup> who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

**Psalms 106:13-23** <sup>13</sup> But they soon forgot his works; they did not wait for his counsel. <sup>14</sup> But they had a wanton craving in the wilderness, and put God to the test in the desert; <sup>15</sup> he gave them what they asked, but sent a wasting disease among them. <sup>16</sup> When men in the camp were jealous of Moses and Aaron, the holy one of the LORD, <sup>17</sup> the earth opened and swallowed up Dathan, and covered the company of Abiram. <sup>18</sup> Fire also broke out in their company; the flame burned up the wicked. <sup>19</sup> They made a calf in Horeb and worshiped a metal image. <sup>20</sup> They exchanged the glory of God for the image of an ox that eats grass. <sup>21</sup> They forgot God, their Savior, who had done great things in Egypt, <sup>22</sup> wondrous works in the land of Ham, and awesome deeds by the Red Sea. <sup>23</sup> Therefore he said he would destroy them-- had not Moses, his chosen one, stood in the breach before him, to turn away his wrath from destroying them.

**Psalms 119:16** <sup>16</sup> I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.

**Psalms 119:61** <sup>61</sup> Though the cords of the wicked ensnare me, I do not forget your law.

**Psalms 119:83** <sup>83</sup> For I have become like a wineskin in the smoke, yet I have not forgotten your statutes.

**Psalms 119:93** <sup>93</sup> I will never forget your precepts, for by them you have given me life.

**Psalms 119:109** <sup>109</sup> I hold my life in my hand continually, but I do not forget your law.

**Psalms 119:141** <sup>141</sup> I am small and despised, yet I do not forget your precepts.

**Psalms 119:153** <sup>153</sup> Look on my affliction and deliver me, for I do not forget your law.

**Psalms 119:176** <sup>176</sup> I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek your servant, for I do not forget your commandments.

**Proverbs 3:1** My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments,

**Proverbs 4:5** <sup>5</sup> Get wisdom; get insight; do not forget, and do not turn away from the words of my mouth.

**Isaiah 17:9-11** <sup>9</sup> ¶ In that day their strong cities will be like the deserted places of the wooded heights and the hilltops, which they deserted because of the children of Israel, and there will be desolation. <sup>10</sup> For you have forgotten the God of your salvation and have not remembered the Rock of your refuge; therefore, though you plant pleasant plants and sow the vine-branch of a stranger, <sup>11</sup> though you make them grow on the day that you plant them, and make them blossom in the morning that you sow, yet the harvest will flee away in a day of grief and incurable pain.

**Isaiah 51:11-16** <sup>11</sup> And the ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away. <sup>12</sup> "I, I am he who comforts you; who are you that you are afraid of man who dies, of the son of man who is made like grass, <sup>13</sup> and have forgotten the LORD, your Maker, who stretched out the heavens and laid the foundations of the earth, and you fear continually all the day because of the wrath of the oppressor, when he sets himself to destroy? And where is the wrath of the oppressor? <sup>14</sup> He who is bowed down shall speedily be released; he shall not die and go down to the pit, neither shall his bread be lacking. <sup>15</sup> I am the LORD your God, who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar-- the LORD of hosts is his name. <sup>16</sup> And I have put my words in your mouth and covered you in the shadow of my hand, establishing the heavens and laying the foundations of the earth, and saying to Zion, 'You are my people.'"

**Jeremiah 2:31-32** <sup>31</sup> And you, O generation, behold the word of the LORD. Have I been a wilderness to Israel, or a land of thick darkness? Why then do my people say, 'We are free, we will come no more to you'? <sup>32</sup> Can a virgin forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? Yet my people have forgotten me days without number.

**Jeremiah 3:21-23** <sup>21</sup> A voice on the bare heights is heard, the weeping and pleading of Israel's sons because they have perverted their way; they have forgotten the LORD their God. <sup>22</sup> "Return, O faithless sons; I will heal your faithlessness." "Behold, we come to you, for you are the LORD our God. <sup>23</sup> Truly the hills are a delusion, the orgies on the mountains. Truly in the LORD our God is the salvation of Israel.

**Jeremiah 13:24-25** <sup>24</sup> I will scatter you like chaff driven by the wind from the desert. <sup>25</sup> This is your lot, the portion I have measured out to you, declares the LORD, because you have forgotten me and trusted in lies.

**Jeremiah 18:13-17** <sup>13</sup> "Therefore thus says the LORD: Ask among the nations, Who has heard the like of this? The virgin Israel has done a very horrible thing. <sup>14</sup> Does the snow of Lebanon leave the crags of Sirion? Do the mountain waters run dry, the cold flowing streams? <sup>15</sup> But my people have forgotten me; they make offerings to false gods; they made them stumble in their ways, in the ancient roads, and to walk into side roads, not the highway, <sup>16</sup> making their land a horror, a thing to be hissed at forever. Everyone who passes by it is horrified and shakes his head. <sup>17</sup> Like the east wind I will scatter them before the enemy. I will show them my back, not my face, in the day of their calamity."

**Ezekiel 22:11-12** <sup>11</sup> One commits abomination with his neighbor's wife; another lewdly defiles his daughter-in-law; another in you violates his sister, his father's daughter. <sup>12</sup> In you they take bribes to shed blood; you take interest and profit and make gain of your neighbors by extortion; but me you have forgotten, declares the Lord GOD.

**Ezekiel 23:35** <sup>35</sup> Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: Because you have forgotten me and cast me behind your back, you yourself must bear the consequences of your lewdness and whoring."

**Hosea 2:13** <sup>13</sup> And I will punish her for the feast days of the Baals when she burned offerings to them and adorned herself with her ring and jewelry, and went after her lovers and forgot me, declares the LORD.

**Hosea 4:6** <sup>6</sup> My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge; because you have rejected knowledge, I reject you from being a priest to me. And since you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children.

**Hosea 8:14** <sup>14</sup> For Israel has forgotten his Maker and built palaces, and Judah has multiplied fortified cities; so I will send a fire upon his cities, and it shall devour her strongholds.

**Hosea 13:4-6** <sup>4</sup> But I am the LORD your God from the land of Egypt; you know no God but me, and besides me there is no savior. <sup>5</sup> It was I who knew you in the wilderness, in the land of drought; <sup>6</sup> but when they had grazed, they became full, they were filled, and their heart was lifted up; therefore they forgot me.

**Hebrews 12:5-6** <sup>5</sup> And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? "My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him. <sup>6</sup> For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives."

**2 Peter 1:9** <sup>9</sup> For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins.