

Notes used in the Message

20-0105pm - Getting Better At Forgetting - Nate Greene

PHILIPPIANS 3:13-14 (KJV bible)

13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but *this* one thing *I do* , forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,

14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

PHILIPPIANS 3:13-14 (Amplified bible)

13 I do not consider, brethren, that I have captured and made it my own [yet]; but one thing I do [it is my one aspiration]: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead,

14 I press on toward the goal to win the [supreme and heavenly] prize to which God in Christ Jesus is calling us upward.

We want to look at how we need to forget about the past and press towards the future.

Looking at how satan tries to steal the joy after a big move of God (need being met, etc) by getting us to look back and dwell on where we were before.

54-0402 BLIND.BARTIMAEUS_ LOUISVILLE.KY FRIDAY_

No matter how sick you are, how bad you are, how many trials you've had, when He said, "Whosoever will, let him come, He meant you." That's right.

"How am I going to get to it, Brother Branham? The doctor said I can't get well." Throw it aside; let go. We've got His attention tonight. He's passing this a way. He's been here every night this week. He's here now. He'll be anywhere where two or three are gathered in His Name: "I'll be in their midst. Whatever they agree upon and ask, they shall receive it." We've got His attention now. He's moving through the building. Now, raise your hands of faith to Him and say, "Lord, that I might receive my sight," he said.

Past : AGO

: just gone or elapsed

: having existed or taken place in a period before the present : BYGONE

Future

: the condition or situation of someone or something in the time that will come

- Why do we listen to satan's whisper?
- Why do we listen to that voice of reason?
- Don't look back to where you came from look to where you're going.

Lot's wife

GENESIS 19:26

But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.

62-0707 - JEHOVAH-JIREH #3

76 And notice another, while we're on it, Lot. Jesus said, Himself, "Remember Lot's wife." If the Word isn't so important, if reasoning is all right; when that Angel said to Lot and his family, "Go to Zoar, but don't look back!" And Lot's wife, on a little insignificant thing as to turn and look back, but it was contrary to the Word, she turned to a pillar of salt.

- If you keep looking back to your problems, eventually you won't be able to look forward.
- You've let your past affect the future.
- Stop holding on to things of the past that satan uses to keep you bound.
- Don't let it affect your future. Press forward!
- God has forgiven you and forgotten it. Why can't we do the same?

55-0109E - BEGINNING AND ENDING OF THE GENTILE DISPENSATION

26 Now, a man that's really got his face set towards Heaven, no matter what takes place here on earth, he's still got his face set towards Heaven. His friends may forsake him. His family may forsake him. His pastor may forsake him. But there is One that won't forsake him; that's God. And when your mind is made up! I like that.

27 Daniel had burnt all the bridges behind him. He wasn't planning on going back, anymore. He wasn't watching his back trail. He was looking, forsaking those things which are in the past. He pressed on to the mark of the high calling. That's what we should be doing. That's what the Church should be doing.

If you go to reasoning and saying things like "I don't know if I'm ready to let go" or "I'll let go one day" it's never going to happen

62-0422 - THE RESTORATION OF THE BRIDE TREE

109 If the officer was going to—going to take the fellow that stole your property, was going to take him to court, and you keep pulling him back, "Well, I don't know just whether he should do this or not," he'll never get him there. Just let him go.

2 CORINTHIANS 3:18

But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, *even* as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Looking at ourselves through the mirror of His Word. We don't look like that old man from the past. Don't dwell on what you used to look like. (I used to smoke, drink, etc)
The past is the past.

Rearview mirror. Don't look back to go forward
Looking back to the past will cause a wreck in the future.

PSALM 23:6 KJV

[6] Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

64-0112 - SHALOM

<< 26 + I--I want to think of not like the past, but I want to look to the future. See? As Paul said, "Forgetting those things that are in the past, I press towards the mark, see, of the high calling." And as it's expressed, like looking back through the mirror of a car. We are looking what we have passed, when we're looking in the rear-view mirror. Now we're not trying to place the Message today as looking through a rear-view mirror. It would take too long, see, the things that the Lord has did. And you are all acquainted with the great things that our Lord has been doing, is some of the mightiest things that I've ever seen in my life, He just--just passing in the last few months. And, but now we are thankful for what has been, but now we're looking forward. We're looking where we're headed for, and into this 1964.

Let everything go, lay aside all the doubt, fear, thoughts of what was and press on!

HEBREWS. 12:1-2

1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset *us*, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of *our* faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

55-0109M - MELCHISEDEC, THE GREAT PRINCE AND KING

135 Maybe that's the reason some of us are not getting along so well. We're holding onto things that we ought to let go, in the separation. A little doubt, a little wonder, a little skeptic: "Wonder if It's right. Could This be? Could That be? How could It be?" Cut loose, this morning!

EXODUS 15:20-21

20 And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances.

21 And Miriam answered them, Sing ye to the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

Your past is dead in the water, it can't get back to you anymore!

53-0328 - ISRAEL AND THE CHURCH #4

94 Look what Moses done, raised his hand and sang in the Spirit. And Miriam got a tambourine and begin to dance, and jump up-and-down, and praised God. And the daughters of Israel followed her, dancing and praising God, and shouting. Hallelujah! They crossed over the sea. All the old taskmasters was back, dead, there in the sea. They looked back and said, "Boy, you'll never bother me no more." Oh, my! Burnt the bridges all over, ready to go now, journeying on. Now they say, "Can we take it?" "Sure, we can take it." "Why?" "God said so!"

95 And remember, they, God promised to supply their needs

Don't look back, don't give up the promise or the touch that you received! Press on! Press on!

52-0720A - LIFE STORY

8 Each one of you is a Christian. You are a borned-again Christian, then let's stand up. No matter how bad the background has been, let's look forward