

SERIES: GENESIS
DON'T FORGET
GENESIS 15

1. Don't forget that the Lord is your only protection and place of blessing

1 Kings 18–19

Genesis 15

1 After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, saying **“Do not be afraid**, Abram. I am your **shield**, your exceedingly great **reward**.”
2 But Abram said, “Lord God, what will You give me, seeing I go childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” 3 Then Abram said, “Look, You have given me no offspring; indeed one born in my house is my heir!”

2. Don't forget the Word of the Lord that you have heard

Genesis 12:7; Genesis 4:25; Genesis 13:15-17

James 1

22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.
23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; 24 for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was.

Genesis 15

4 And behold, **the word of the Lord came to him**, saying, “This one shall not be your heir, but one who will come from your own body shall be your heir.”
5 Then He brought him outside and said, “Look now toward heaven, and count the stars if you are able to number them.” And He said to him, “So shall your descendants [**zerah - children**] be.”

3. Don't forget how you were made clean before God

Romans 4:1-5, 11

Genesis 15:6

And he believed **in the Lord**, and He accounted it to him for righteousness.

4. Don't forget who the Lord is; He is trustworthy

Genesis 12:1-3

Genesis 15

7 Then He said to him, “I am the Lord, [**creator, Gen. 2:4**] who brought you out [**Genesis 8:18**] of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to inherit it.”
8 And he said, “Lord God, **how shall I know** that I will inherit it?”
9 So He said to him, “Bring Me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old female goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.”
10 Then he brought all these to Him and cut them in two, down the middle, and placed each piece opposite the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. 11 And when the vultures came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. 12 Now when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and behold, horror and great darkness fell upon him.
13 Then He said to Abram: “**Know certainly** that your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, and will serve them, and they will afflict them four hundred years. 14 And also the nation whom they serve I will judge; afterward they shall come out with great possessions. 15 Now as for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried at a good old age. 16 But in the fourth generation they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete.”
17 And it came to pass, when the sun went down and it was dark, that behold, there appeared a smoking oven and a burning torch that passed between those pieces.