

2006 A YEAR IN REVIEW
REMEMBERING THE GREAT THINGS
THAT THE LORD HAS DONE

DEUTERONOMY 24:22

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

"WHAT I REMEMBER ABOUT THIS YEAR"

THE END OF A YEAR AND THE PUTTING AWAY OF WHAT WAS

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

The Lord's Faithfulness, Provision, Security, Defense

Introduction to the Text; **Deuteronomy 24:22**

The Textual Summation and Theme is

It's always amazing to me that 'He who is Eternal' desires us to number our days. That the times and the seasons of our lives are very important to the Lord, and should be very important to us as well.

How We Invest Our Time, Our Efforts, Our Lives

Psalm 90:12

Lord, teach *us* to number our days,
That we may gain a heart of wisdom.

Acts 17:28

for in Him we **live** and **move** and have our **being**,

Our "being" is that person that we are
The Lord is God, and We Are His People
Through Faith in Jesus Christ.

And So, He Has Invested in Our Lives

**The Children of Israel Had Been Delivered Out of Egypt
by the power of God, sustained in the wilderness, and provided for along the
way - - but they entered into unbelief.**

They failed at seeing God in their lives on a daily basis.

Deuteronomy 24:22

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WHAT I REMEMBER ABOUT THIS YEAR;

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WHAT I REMEMBER ABOUT THIS YEAR;

1.) Was that The Lord was *faithful*

I REMEMBER THAT THE LORD WAS FAITHFUL

1a.) He was *faithful* when we *didn't* know what to do

"Personally;
I Saw Him Lead Me By His Word this Year,
As I Yielded the Controls to Him - In Prayer."

The Importance of Daily Seeking Him for the Day!

2 Chronicles 26:5

King Uzziah sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the visions of God; and as long as he sought the LORD, **God made him prosper.**

Proverbs 3:5

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And **lean not** on your own understanding; **:6** In all your ways **acknowledge** Him, And He shall direct your paths. **:7** Do not be wise in your own eyes; **Fear** the LORD and **depart** from evil. **:8** It will be health to your flesh, And strength to your bones.

I REMEMBER THAT THE LORD WAS FAITHFUL

1b.) He was *faithful* when we *couldn't* defend ourselves

He Comforted Me by Reminding Me
That He Alone Knows the Truth.

We Are Weak at Best...

Psalm 103:13

As a father pities *his* children, So the LORD pities those who fear Him. :14 For He knows our frame; He remembers that we *are* dust.

Psalm 34:3-4

Oh, magnify the LORD with me, And let us exalt His name together. :4 I sought the LORD, and He heard me, And delivered me from all my fears.

Psalm 77:1-2

I cried out to God with my voice — To God with my voice; And He gave ear to me. :2 In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord; My hand was stretched out in the night without ceasing; My soul refused to be comforted.

Psalm 59:9

I will wait for You, O You his Strength;
For God *is* my defense.

Psalm 7:10

My defense *is* of God,
Who saves the upright in heart.

Psalm 59:16

But I will sing of Your power; Yes, I will sing aloud of Your mercy in the morning; For You have been my defense And refuge in the day of my trouble.

Psalm 62:2

He alone is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress,
I will never be shaken.

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Revelation 3:14

“And to the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write, ‘These things says the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Beginning of the creation of God:

The Lord is Not "Surprised" by Our "Failures"
but he is blessed by our obedience!

Hebrews 11:11

By faith Sarah herself also received strength to conceive seed, and she bore a child when she was past the age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised.

Hebrews 10:23

Let us hold fast the confession of *our* hope without wavering, for (because) He who promised *is* faithful.

Every time you decide to obey God's word,
he is pleased, blessed, and honored...
He has to smile

1 Peter 1:7-9

that the genuineness of your faith, *being* much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, :8 whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see *Him*, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, :9 receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of *your* souls.

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WHAT I REMEMBER ABOUT THIS YEAR;

2.) Was that the Lord was *patient* with us

Ecclesiastes, 7:8 - Solomon Wrote

Finishing is better than starting.. and Patience is better than pride.

HE WAS PATIENT WITH US

2a.) He was *patient* while we were *questioning* Him

How We All Tried to Help God this Year;
with our words of counsel and insight

Pride is always the reason Why We Question God
(we think that we're better at getting the job done)

a "we are better" type of insanity

Job 38:1-2

Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said: :2 “Who *is* this who darkens counsel By words without knowledge? :3 Now prepare yourself like a man; I will question you, and you shall answer Me.

Job 9:10-11

He does great things past finding out, Yes, wonders without number. :11 If He goes by me, I do not see *Him*; If He moves past, I do not perceive Him;

Romans 11:33-34

Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable *are* His judgments and His ways past finding out! :34 “*For who has known the mind of the LORD? Or who has become His counselor?*” - I have, many times

HE WAS PATIENT WITH US

2b.) He was *patient* while we were *complaining* to Him

a "we can do better" type of insanity

In Psalm 144:14

let there be no **complaining** in our streets.

Complaining - means to screech or whine
The "Finger Nails on the Chalkboard" Sound

We Complain Because We're Spoiled,

we expect things a certain way; and when we demand them to be a certain way - - we've become spoiled rotten.

Numbers 14:26-30

And the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying, :27 “How long *shall I* bear with this evil congregation who complain against Me? I have heard the complaints which the children of Israel make against Me. :28 Say to them, “As I live,” says the LORD, ‘just as you have spoken in My hearing, so I will do to you: :29 The carcasses of you who have complained against Me shall fall in this wilderness, all of you who were numbered, according to your entire number, from twenty years old and above. :30 Except for Caleb the son of Jephunneh and Joshua the son of Nun, you shall by no means enter the land which I swore I would make you dwell in.

Murmuring is What Ungratefulness Sounds Like

An ungrateful child, spouse, friend, church or nation is the saddest thing of all - it means that we've forgotten God

As a Nation - America has forgotten God
our leaders, our lawmakers, our judges

*We need a leader today to call this nation back to God.
(pray with me right now)*

*a prayer
for
President Bush*

HE WAS PATIENT WITH US

2c.) He was *patient* while we were *instructing* Him

A "we know better" type of insanity

In Ecclesiastes 7:8 Solomon Writes;
Finishing is better than starting. And Patience is better than pride.

1Chronicles 16:23-24

Sing to the LORD, all the earth; Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day. :24 Declare His glory among the nations,
His wonders among all peoples.

Deuteronomy 24:22

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WHAT I REMEMBER ABOUT THIS YEAR;

3.) Was that the Lord was *gracious*

THE LORD WAS GRACIOUS

3a.) He was *gracious* by *putting* up with us

1 Chronicles 16:34

Oh, give thanks to the LORD,
for *He is good!* For His mercy *endures* forever.

HIS GRACE IS AT WORK

The Lord is not putting up with us
as though we were a big drain on Him, No!
He puts up with us as a work in progress.

Sanding and Chipping and Buffing

Things are Under Construction, Like

Our attitude, Our Fears, Our Desires, Our Talents, Our Gifts,
Our Good Things About Us and the Bad Things About Us...

An Architect, An Artist, A Designer, An Engineer
they can see things that are in their mind, on the street, in the air, in use

**The Lord See's Us Like That;
On the Street, - In The Air, - In Use**

Philippians 1:6

being {be being} confident {absolutely certain} of this very thing, that He who has
begun a good work in you will complete *it* until the day of {the return, coming again}
Jesus Christ;

***(a work has begun in you by the Holy Spirit and He is bound to
complete that work - - He will finish it at the appointed time)***

Psalm 138:8

The LORD will perfect *that which* concerns me; Your mercy, O LORD, *endures* forever;
Do not forsake the works of Your hands.

THE LORD WAS GRACIOUS

3b.) He was *gracious* by *giving* us so much

Proverbs 3:9-10

Honor the LORD with your possessions, And with the first fruits of all your increase;
:10 So your barns will be filled with plenty,
And your vats will overflow with new wine.

Psalm 65:11

You crown the year with Your goodness,
And Your paths drip *with* abundance.

THE LORD WAS GRACIOUS

3c.) He was *gracious* by *forgiving* us - again

1John 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1John 4:10

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

But Pastor Jack,

I Would Add That The Lord was...

Exactly, What You Have to Say is Your Testimony

Fill in The Blank ____ He was What to You This Year?

Exodus 3:13-14

Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, *when* I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What *is* His name?' what shall I say to them?" :14 And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.' "

John 8:58

Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM."

If You Need Ministry of Any Kind

as soon as this song is over, you come forward today, and experience God's mercy and grace in your own life.

End of Study