

## For Our Information

Joyce Venable is doing much better.

Wil Atwood returns to the Doctor on Monday to see when he will be released to go back to work. Barbara Atwood is feeling much better now.

Dan's Aunt Judy has fallen a couple of times. Once hitting her head and she broke her right arm also.

Continue to remember Ricky & Theresa Ragsdale, Carolynn Richmond, and John Venable also.

Keep our brothers & sisters in mind

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## The Average — Forrest Moyer

"If a man stands with one foot on a hot stove and one foot in a freezer, some statisticians would assert that, on the average, he's comfortable." Which reminds me of some who seem to feel that they can come to church on Sunday and yet live like the devil during the week. They say that they are, on the average, pretty good people. Yet he cannot be "comfortable" any more than the man with his foot on the stove and the other in a freezer. He is the double-minded man who is unstable in all his ways. He has only enough religion to be miserable, but not enough to go to heaven.

Our Lord does not prefer an "average." He wants His people to be either "cold or hot." The "average" (in this case, lukewarmness) nauseates Him, and He will spew out of His mouth those who are lukewarm (**Revelation 3:15-16**). Brother, you had better get all the way on the Lord's side now lest you spend eternity with the Devil.

# Seeking His Righteousness

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## Remember Your Creator Demands Knowing Your Creator

### Kent Heaton

The 12th chapter of Ecclesiastes is an oft quoted text imploring youth to know the frailty of life and certainty of death. The last verses of **chapter 11** exhort youth to embrace the law of sowing and reaping explained by the apostle Paul in **Galatians 6:7**, "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." Life is about choices and making the right decisions. Verse one of the twelfth chapter is the key to the whole message of Ecclesiastes and in reality the answer to all of man's needs



*Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.*

**Hebrews 11:1**



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revealed by God in His Divine Word: "*Remember also thy Creator in the days of thy youth, before the evil days come, and the years draw nigh, when thou shall say, I have no pleasure in them*" (**Ecclesiastes 12:1**).

The command to remember the Creator is not new with Solomon. The Lord exhorted Israel to remember Him with penalty of forgetting Him (**Deuteronomy 8**). "*But the loving-kindness of Jehovah is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children; to such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his precepts to do them*" (**Psalms 103:17-18**). Being careful to remember the Lord was to hedge one's mind about with His commandments, judgments, and statutes (**Deuteronomy 8:11**).

The challenge for youth today is far more complex that remembering the Creator - they have to learn who He is! Remembering the Creator suggests a mind that knows something to remember. Our young people are struggling with knowledge of the Creator because many homes do not instill in their children knowledge of God. They will know who the winners of American Idol are; the names of every player on the National Champions of basketball and football; the words to music that is supposed to be music; and the cell phone numbers to fifty friends - but have little or no knowledge of who I AM THAT I AM (**Exodus 3:14**).

Our youth are fighting against the pressures of the world without a proper defense in the knowledge of GOD ALMIGHTY (**Genesis 17:1**). Knowing who the Creator is will give our youth a sense of strength and

## Store In My Heart

### John 1:14

And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

This verse continues the thought of our last passage. The Word that created all things became as His creation. He lowered himself to the level of that which He had put into existence and walked upon the creation as a created being. Paul told the Philippians that He "humbled himself."

Yet, even in this lowly existence, His glory was evident. Though He became like us He was still the Son of God. His deity was evident to all who took time to know Him. He was still one with the Father even while walking among men on Earth.

courage filled with hope. To know the ALMIGHTY will give assurance to our youth they were made in His image (**Genesis 1:26**); not a monkey. Understanding the HEAVENLY FATHER will help our youth find peace in a world of chaos as He gives understanding through HIS WORD (**Psalms 119**). Believing in GOD will help them find the SON OF GOD. How can our youth believe in a SON when they do not know the FATHER (**John 14:6-11**)?

Parents who fail to teach their children about GOD prepare their children for heartache, misery, destitution and failure. The LORD commanded the Israelite parents to teach their children about HIM "*that they may set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God*" (**Psalms 78:7**). PARENTS - Read **DEUTERONOMY 6** and **PSALM 78**! Many children (not all) whose spirit is not faithful to God can blame their parents for that failure. They could not remember what they were never taught! What are we teaching our children?

(While this article is focused on helping the young get to know God, we must never forget that there are hundreds in our community who have a misunderstanding of God also. Before we can convince the lost of their need to submit to God's commands, we must help them understand who God is and what He has done. Remember **Hebrews 11:6** "*And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.*" We must teach God to others or they will be lost for all eternity!)