"Face Palm Follies" (6)

"Can a virgin forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? Yet my people have forgotten me days without number."

(Jeremiah 2:32)

Forgetting the Favor

<u>Psalm 106:7-13</u> – ⁷ "Our fathers, when they were in Egypt, did not consider your wondrous works; <u>they did not remember the abundance of your steadfast love</u>, but rebelled by the sea, at the Red Sea. ⁸Yet he saved them for his name's sake, that he might make known his mighty power. ⁹He rebuked the Red Sea, and it became dry, and he led them through the deep as through a desert. ¹⁰So he saved them from the hand of the foe and redeemed them from the power of the enemy. ¹¹And the waters covered their adversaries; not one of them was left. ¹²Then they believed his words; they sang his praise. ¹³But they soon forgot his works; they did not wait for his counsel."

Fat, Full, & Forgetful

<u>Hosea 13:4-6</u> – ⁴ "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. ⁵It was I who knew you in the wilderness, in the land of drought; ⁶but when they had grazed, <u>they became full</u>, they were filled, and their heart was lifted up; therefore they <u>forgot me</u>."

<u>Deuteronomy 31:19-20</u> - ¹⁹ "Now therefore write this song and teach it to the people of Israel. Put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for me against the people of Israel. ²⁰For when I have brought them into the land flowing with milk and honey, which I swore to give to their fathers, and they have eaten and are full and grown fat, they will turn to other gods and serve them, and despise me and break my covenant."

Deuteronomy 32:10-15 — ¹⁰ "He found him in a desert land, and in the howling waste of the wilderness; he encircled him, he cared for him, he kept him as the apple of his eye. ¹¹Like an eagle that stirs up its nest, that flutters over its young, spreading out its wings, catching them, bearing them on its pinions, ¹²the LORD alone guided him, no foreign god was with him. ¹³He made him ride on the high places of the land, and he ate the produce of the field, and he suckled him with honey out of the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock. ¹⁴Curds from the herd, and milk from the flock, with fat of lambs, rams of Bashan and goats, with the very finest of the wheat— and you drank foaming wine made from the blood of the grape. ¹⁵ But Jeshurun grew fat, and kicked; you grew fat, stout, and sleek; then he forsook God who made him and scoffed at the Rock of his salvation."

Choosing not to Forget & Follow-Through

Psalm 116:1-19 – 1"I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy. ²Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live. ³The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish. ⁴Then I called on the name of the LORD: "O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!" 5Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful. ⁶The LORD preserves the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me. ⁷Return, O my soul, to your rest; for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you. ⁸For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling; 9I will walk before the LORD in the land of the living. ¹⁰I believed, even when I spoke: "I am greatly afflicted"; ¹¹I said in my alarm, "All mankind are liars." 12What shall I render to the LORD for all his benefits to me? ¹³I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD, ¹⁴I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people. ¹⁵Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints. ¹⁶O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the son of your maidservant. You have loosed my bonds. ¹⁷I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the LORD. ¹⁸I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people, ¹⁹in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD!"