***JON’S SERMON OUTLINE….***

WHAT TO DO ABOUT YOUR MEMORY

*For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, “Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.” In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death till He comes.* 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Introduction: Losing your memory is very frustrating and embarrassing. So, it’s good to have something like Memorial Day in place to remind us of things that are important. The challenge for us is to make sure we remember our military heroes who’ve died in war, and not treat Memorial Day as simply an extra day off from work. Failing to remember things also involves a spiritual danger. Forgetfulness can tear away at the very foundation of our relationship with God (2 Peter 1:9-15). That’s why the Bible speaks of monuments and memorial feasts. Let’s see what we should do about our memories.

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ THE PAST (Joshua 4:21-24):

a. The Bible confirms the significance of memory.

b. We see this in the crossing of the Jordan.

c. God knows that we forget the things He’s done for us.

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ TO DWELL ON THE PAST (Ecclesiastes 7:10):

a. Some live in the past, afraid to face the present and the future.

b. Some distort the past, believing the good old days are gone.

c. God wants us to dwell on the word (Colossians 3:16).

3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ON GOD’S SON (1 Corinthians 11:23-26):

a. Remember your sin.

b. Remember His sacrifice.

c. Remember your salvation.

CONCLUSION: Are you ready to meet Jesus?

Answers: 1. Remember 2. Refuse 3. Reflect