

# **“Remember Now Your Creator in the Days of Your Youth”**

**Eccl. 12:1**

## **Introduction:**

- A. Three key words.
  - 1. “Youth” – A happy time? – Confused time? – A troublesome time?
  - 2. “Creator” – Here by design and purpose, not blind chance of evolution.
  - 3. “Remember” – Existence – Attributes – Promises – Will – To do His will
- B. It is not enough to quote this to our youth, but to give good reasons to for remembering while young.
- C. Some reasons to remember your creator in the days of your youth:

## **Discussion:**

### **I. You Can Give Him the Most You Can Give.**

- A. The most of your days.
- B. The most of your strength. (Ecc. 12:1-7).

### **II. Your Creator Has Remembered You.**

- A. By giving and sustaining your life. (Acts 17:28).
- B. By blessing you in more ways than you can name.
- C. By giving His son to save them. (Rom. 5:8; John 3:16).
- D. By revealing His will in the Scriptures. (2 Tim. 3:14-17).

### **III. You Will Remember the Days of Your Youth.**

- A. Maybe with regret.
  - 1. Like Paul. (Acts 7:58; 1 Cor. 15:9).
  - 2. Like Prodigal. (Luke 15:11-32).
  - 3. Like some of us.
    - a. Wasted opportunities to influence others.
    - b. Wasted opportunities to learn.
- B. Maybe with satisfaction.
  - 1. Like Timothy. (2 Tim. 3:14,15).
  - 2. Like anyone who flees youthful lusts. (2 Tim. 2:22).

### **IV. You Need His Wisdom to Shape Your Life.**

- A. As You form life's habits.
- B. As You make life's most important decisions.
  - 1. Choosing life's partner.
  - 2. Choosing life's work.

### **V. You Will Need His Wisdom to Raise Your Children.**

- A. To bring them up in nurture and admonition of Lord. (Eph. 6:4).
- B. You can give yourselves time to accumulate three valuable things needed for leadership:
  - 1. Bible Knowledge.
  - 2. Sound wisdom.
  - 3. Practical experience.

### **VI. Your Youth May Be All That You Have.**

- A. Life is uncertain. (Jas. 4:13,14).
  - 1. All appointed to die, doesn't say when. (Heb. 9:27)
  - 2. See examples every day in young people.
  - 3. Young people brought into judgement. (Ecc. 11:9).
- B. Sin is deceitful and hardening. (Heb. 3:13).
  - 1. May become so deceived that cannot remember.
  - 2. May become so hardened will not want to remember.

## **Conclusion:**

- A. Young people do you want to know what life is all about? (Ecc. 12:13).
- B. Why not begin remembering Him today in obedience?