

## **MEMORIES OF OLD**

### **Psalm 78:1-4**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

- A. Anatevka, Fiddler on the Roof.
- B. Memories of Old Building (Gabbert St.)
  - 1. Built 1959 – 60 years – many memories.
  - 2. 1961 – addition of education wing.
  - 3. 1988 – Fellowship Hall and classes.
  - 4. Ministers, elders, deacons, teachers, etc.
  - 5. Funerals, weddings, baptisms (first to last).
  - 6. VBS sets, refreshments, renovations.
  - 7. Personal memories:
    - a. Growing up in the building.
    - b. Learning to behave in Bible class.
    - c. Counting holes in the ceiling (cracks, nails, etc.).
  - 8. Old memories, but new ones being made.
- C. The History of God's People.
  - 1. Remember when...
    - a. Throughout O.T. – a look back.
    - b. Moses, Joshua, David, Solomon, etc.
    - c. Feast Days to remember.
    - d. Tassels on robes to remember (Num. 15:37-40).
      - i. Remember the commandments and to be holy.
  - 2. Ark of the Covenant brought into Jerusalem, 1 Chron. 16.
- D. NOT Memories for memories sake!

#### **I. GIVE THANKS AND SING PRAISE.**

- A. His Goodness and Lovingkindness, vs. 34.
  - 1. Proclaim His deeds, vs. 8.
  - 2. Proclaim His wonders, vs. 9.
  - 3. Psalm 145:3-13
- B. Great Is Thy Faithfulness (*sing*).

#### **II. SEEK THE LORD, vs. 11.**

- A. Seek His Strength.
  - 1. "What is man..." Psalm 8:4.
  - 2. Psalm 94:17
  - 3. "It is He who has made us...", Ps. 100:3.
  - 4. Psalm 127:1, "Unless the Lord builds the house..."
- B. Seek His Face Continually.
  - 1. Ps. 27:4.
  - 2. Seek first..., Mt. 6:33.
  - 3. Colossians 3:1
  - 4. Heb. 11:6, seek diligently...

#### **III. REMEMBER.**

- A. His Deeds, vs. 12.
  - 1. The Old Testament.

2. Christ's Life – death, burial, resurrection.
  3. He continues to work on our behalf, Heb. 4:14-16.
- B. His Covenant, vs. 15.
1. Reading Ps. 119, His covenant, statutes, law, etc.
  2. We are a people to be about God's Word, 2 Tim. 2:15; 2 Tim. 1:13; Col. 3:16.
  3. Remember Him – it is all about Him! Eph. 1:22-23

## **CLOSING**

- A. Memories.
1. Not memories alone.
  2. What do we do with them?
  3. If not careful, hinder us from growing in the Lord.
- B. Take a moment to remember...
- C. Then, be ready to move onward and upward!