

Anzac Day Service- Remembrance

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Today is Anzac Day; today we remember what someone else did for us.

1 Corinthians 11:17-26

Why remember?

1. When we remember, we become grateful.
2. When we remember, it keeps us focused.
3. When we remember, it keeps us humble.

The enemy's plan for us is to take our eyes off what we have. To take our eyes off what has been done for us. In the Garden of Eden he did that ever so successfully. He got Eve to think about what she couldn't have instead of all that she could have. His battle strategy is still the same today.

"Let's stop the people of God from remembering what God has done for them."

The moment we do that, we place our minds on what we don't have.

When this happens

- We lose heart.
- Our joy gets stolen.
- We get frustrated.
- We become bitter.

That's why God instigated communion.

So that we remember what He has done for us through Jesus Christ.

Freedom, deliverance, and freed from the power of sin. We are living under the life of God, living out of the abundance of God, and living through the mind of Christ.

Galatians 3:3; Romans 3:22-24; 5:20-21; 8:32; Hebrews 10:9-10; Galatians 5:1, 13

Anzac day is a day to remember what has been done for us by other men, in generations past.

"Lest we forget"- the cry, the call, the most spoken words on this day. WHY?

It's because we need to remember. We need to remind ourselves, and each other, of someone else's sacrifice for our freedom.

We were brought with a price.

1 Corinthians 6:20; Is 53:4-7

Today what memories do you remember?

As the song says - *'memories like the corners of my mind.'*

We remember because images, feelings, and truths fill our daily journey.

Let me tell you a secret - the most powerful form of memory is images.

2 Corinthians 10:4-5

Without God's intervention images can not be erased. Feelings will grow weak and truth can be forgotten, but images remain in our mind and are always there for you to pull up from the recesses of your brain.

What images sit in your mind?

We all want images that will lead us to remember good things.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26