100 Years from Now

A lot of things change in one hundred years. This is the year 2015, and one hundred years ago, things were much different.

- Woodrow Wilson was President of the United States.
- Women could not vote.
- The Ford Motor Company produced the one millionth Model T.
- Babe Ruth was a rookie with the Boston Red Sox.

If the Lord delays His return, many things will change in the next one hundred years. So here is a question for you: One hundred years from now, how many people on earth will remember that you were even here?

We struggle to leave our mark on this world, but very few succeed. Even kings and presidents are often forgotten. How will you be remembered?

Ecclesiastes 6:12 – For who knows what is good for a man during his lifetime, during the few years of his futile life? He will spend them like a shadow. For who can tell a man what will be after him under the sun?

James 4:14 – Yet you do not know what your life will be like tomorrow. You are just a vapor that appears for a little while and then vanishes away.

Headstones and monuments adorn the graves of the dead, but not even these can sustain any lasting memory.

The truth is that there is only One whose memory never fails, and it is the Almighty God of heaven. He says in Isaiah 49:15,

"Can a woman forget her nursing child and have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, but I will not forget you."

Not only will God remember you, but He will remember everything you have done. 2 Corinthians 5:10 says,

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

However, there is one great exception to God's memory. For those who are in Christ Jesus, He says in Hebrews 8:12,

For I will be merciful to their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more.

None of us will have any lasting legacy here on earth, for this world is bound for destruction (2 Peter 3:7, 11-12). However, those whose sins are forgiven through Jesus will have an eternal legacy in heaven.

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Acts 2:38 – Peter said to them, "Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."