“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).
      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?