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Waiting for a New Thing

Isaiah 43:18–19 (HCSB)

“Do not remember the past events, pay no attention to things of old. ¹⁹ Look, I am about to do something new; even now it is coming. Do you not see it? Indeed, I will make a way in the wilderness, rivers in the desert.”

1. YOU CANNOT _____ ON THE PAST AND PREPARE FOR THE FUTURE

v 18a *“Do not remember the past events...”*

Philippians 3:12–14 (HCSB)

Not that I have already reached the goal or am already fully mature, but I make every effort to take hold of it because I also have been taken hold of by Christ Jesus. ¹³ Brothers, I do not consider myself to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and reaching forward to what is ahead, ¹⁴ I pursue as my goal the prize promised by God’s heavenly call in Christ Jesus.

- We should _____ from the past, but not dwell on it.
- We should be short on memory, long on opportunities.

2. DO NOT GET _____ IN ON THE WAY YOU HAVE ALWAYS DONE IT

v 18b *“...pay no attention to things of old.”*

- The way you did things in the past may have served you well then but does not guarantee to work in the future.

- _____ on the past can stunt your future.

3. GET _____! GOD IS ABOUT TO DO A NEW THING

v 19a *“Look, I am about to do something new; even now it is coming. Do you not see it?”*

- God is not _____ about what has happened.
- God is ready to move on to the next assignment He has for us.

4. GOD ALWAYS MAKES A WAY FOR US WHEN WE _____ HIM

v 19b *“Indeed, I will make a way in the wilderness, rivers in the desert.”*

- God _____ a way even if we cannot see it yet.
- God wants to take us from our worst to His best.

The Next Step:

Take your past, learn from it, file it away and prepare for the next assignment God has for you.