

January 4
Friday

DAYS OF DOUBT

READ:
Psalm 77

I will remember the
works of the LORD.
—Psalm 77:11

THE BIBLE IN ONE YEAR:

- Genesis 10–12
- Matthew 4

In Psalm 77, Asaph's faith was also floundering. After listing his serious doubts, he asked, "Has God forgotten to be gracious?" (v.9). Suddenly he stopped and said: "I will remember the years of [God's] right hand I will remember the works of the LORD; surely I will remember Your wonders of old" (vv.10-11). The act of remembering obviously revived his faith. Just read the rest of the psalm!

Why not create your own book of remembrance, recording God's wonderful deeds? Then read it often, especially on days of doubt. —JEY

*When faith grows weak and doubts arise
Recall God's love and tender care;
Remind yourself of all He's done
And of those times He answered prayer. —D. De Haan*

**REMEMBERING GOD'S GOODNESS
IS A GOOD CURE FOR DOUBT.**

In 1970, Ronald Dunn began keeping a record of answered prayers and special blessings in a little book. He misplaced the book but found it again several years later at a time when his faith was floundering. He was surprised that he had forgotten most of the incidents he had written about.

As he was reading, something happened. "My memory of God's faithfulness was revived and my sagging faith began to recover," he said. "Remembering had restored my confidence in the Lord." Dunn now encourages Christians to keep a book of remembrance, recording God's activity in their lives. "One day," he writes, "it may mean the difference between victory and defeat."