

# LifeGroup

## Discussion Guide



### WHAT THE NEXT GENERATION NEEDS FROM US

**BIG IDEA:** We are all responsible for the next generation of Christ followers.

**DATE:** Wednesday, May 27 and Sunday, May 31, 2026

**SCRIPTURE:** Psalm 78

### OPENING QUESTION

**When you were younger, what did you want to do when you grew up? How does that compare to what you do today?** *Looking back, do you see any clues growing up as to what your interests were or how your personality fits with what you do today?*

### THE SETTING

Psalm 78 is one of the longest Psalms and details the entire history of Israel up to this point. It was written by Aseph. He was a Levite and a worship leader for King David. He contributed a few Psalms to the Bible. Psalm 78 is the story of Israel's deliverance and salvation. But it also details their rebellion and brokenness. In the middle of all that we see a picture of God's faithfulness and grace to a broken people as well as a clear charge to Israel regarding the next generation.

### STUDY THE BIBLE

#### PSALM 78:1-8 (CSB)

My people, hear my instruction; listen to the words from my mouth. <sup>2</sup>I will declare wise sayings; I will speak mysteries from the past— <sup>3</sup>things we have heard and known and that our ancestors have passed down to us. <sup>4</sup>We will not hide them from their children, but will tell a future generation the praiseworthy acts of the LORD, his might, and the wondrous works he has performed. <sup>5</sup>He established a testimony in Jacob and set up a law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children <sup>6</sup>so that a future generation— children yet to be born—might know. They were to rise and tell their children <sup>7</sup>so that they might put their confidence in God and not forget God's works, but keep his commands. <sup>8</sup>Then they would not be like their ancestors, a stubborn and rebellious generation, a generation whose heart was not loyal and whose spirit was not faithful to God.

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

#### READ PSALM 78:1-8

What does Aseph say in verse 1 they should tell future generations? Open your Bibles and take a quick look at the rest of Psalm 78. What kind of things does Aseph speak to? Why is this important?

What do we need to tell the next generation so that they won't forget?

What has God done for you or your family personally? How are you passing down those stories of faithfulness to the next generation?

READ Psalm 78:5. What did Aseph say about the testimony in Jacob and the law in Israel? Do you know what he is referring to? What was the benefit of knowing Scripture?

READ Psalm 78:8. Aseph says that if God's people tell the future generations what God has done and to love His law then they will not be like who? What was true of the previous generation?

One of the defining characteristics of Gen Z and Gen Alpha is their longing for authenticity and their ability to spot a phony. In light of this, what does the next generation need from us?

Did you grow up in church? How did the kid's, student or college ministry leaders or programs influence your life? How did your parents influence your faith – either positively or negatively?

One of our CORE VALUES as a church is:

***We Partner with Families:** We believe in connecting the home and the church and serve people in all seasons of life. By actively partnering with parents, we hope to raise a generation of world changers.*

The truth is we are all called to pass on our faith to the next generation. How might God be calling you to do this outside of your own family? How might He be calling you to partner with parents? What godly knowledge have you gained that you could pass on?

Remember – these generations are all about building authentic relationships. **They won't care how much you know until they know how much you care.** How can you naturally build relationships with parents or families? How could you be the person you needed when you were growing up?

**Ministering to the next generation is not optional; it is vital.**

## RESPONSE

Consider how God is calling you to partner with families. Pray about serving in our Next Generation spaces – ChetsKids, Chets Students or the College Ministry. Commit to pray for Chets kids and students, parents, ministry staff, LifeGroup leaders and volunteers who serve our next generation. Pray for Vacation Bible School May 31 – June 3 at all our campuses. Pray for hearts to be open to the Gospel and for our faith to be passed on from generation to generation!

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