

Living Free from Generation to Generation Joshua 4; Psalm 78

"For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, so that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope." Romans 15:4

We are called to reveal all God's Word and Work to the next generation. Joshua 4:20-23; Psalm 78:1-8

"...When your children ask their fathers in time to come, saying, 'What are these stones?' then you shall inform your children, saying, 'Israel crossed this Jordan on dry ground.' 'For the LORD your God dried up the waters of the Jordan before you until you had crossed..." Joshua 4:22-23

- **What we reveal:** That God allows impossible challenges so we turn to Him for help (Joshua 3:1)

"Then Joshua rose early in the morning; and he and all the sons of Israel set out from Shittim and came to the Jordan"

- **How we reveal:** With tangible memorials because we will forget God's Word and Work (Exodus 14 - 16)

Exodus 14: Jews believe in God when He miraculously opens the Red Sea

Exodus 15: Jews praise God for His power to help them

Exodus 16: Jews grumble at God when they forget His provision for them

"Then they set out from Elim, and all the congregation of the sons of Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their departure from the land of Egypt. The whole congregation of the sons of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness." Exodus 16:1-2

II Peter 1:4, 12-13

Our tangible memorials should reveal all God's Word and Works to the world. Joshua 4:24

"...that all the peoples of the earth may know that the hand of the LORD is mighty, so that you may fear the LORD your God forever."

LifeGroup Discussion:

1. We are always one generation away from wiping out our faith. Our calling is to pass on our faith in Jesus Christ to all future generations. Discuss how important it is to God that the next generations know His Word and Works.
2. Read Exodus 12:26-27.
What does the Passover teach about God?
3. Read Deuteronomy 6:20-21.
Why should you teach the next generation the “testimonies, statutes and judgments” of God?
4. Read Psalm 71:17-18.
At what age should the next generation begin learning about God’s Word and Works?
How long should that teaching occur?
5. Read Psalm 102:18-19.
How far into the future should we have a vision for passing on our faith?
6. Read Psalm 78:1-8.
What is our goal in passing on our faith to the next generation?

Next Steps:

1. **You are invited to attend the next four Sundays for our new ‘Multiply’ conference.**

This discipleship series will equip you to pass on your faith to the next generations. This series will help empower you to multiply your impact for the Kingdom of God and extend Jesus’ love to others by developing life-changing, Christ-centered relationships. calvarylife.org/multiply

2. **MEN: Join our new 6 PACK ministry, where multiple generations share together in their walk with the Lord.**

A “6 PACK” is composed of 6 men with ages covering a span of 6 decades (teens, 20s, 30s, 40s, 50s, 60+) that meet once a month for 6 months. Perfection is not necessary - just a desire to grow in your faith. Sign up or learn more at calvarylife.org/men

3. **WOMEN: You’re invited to The Gathering to grow in faith and learn to make disciples.**

The Gathering is a casual and seasonal gathering of women for the purpose of experiencing God in community through Bible teaching, intergenerational friendships and honest sharing. Join us once or come each time. No preparation is required; no commitment is needed.

Upcoming opportunities to join The Gathering: September 30, 2014 • January 6, 2015 • May 5, 2015

- Morning Gatherings - 9:00 am - 11:00 am (Children’s program available for ages 5 and under)
- Evening Gatherings - 7:00 - 9:00 pm (Children’s program not available)

4. **Visit the Reach Fair today in the Lobby.**

After today’s service, stop by any of the tables in the Lobby to learn more about how you can Reach here at Calvary, Reach locally in our community, and Reach globally around the world for Jesus Christ.