



Life Guide

applying God's Word to life

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Psalm 78:1–7 O my people, hear my teaching; listen to the words of my mouth. ² I will open my mouth in parables, I will utter hidden things, things from of old— ³ what we have heard and known, what our fathers have told us. ⁴ We will not hide them from their children; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD, his power, and the wonders he has done. ⁵ He decreed statutes for Jacob and established the law in Israel, which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children, ⁶ so the next generation would know them, even the children yet to be born, and they in turn would tell their children. ⁷ Then they would put their trust in God and would not forget his deeds but would keep his commands.

1. Have you ever received an inheritance? If so, how did it change your life? What did the legacy teach you about the person who left it?
2. God has a building plan for his church. What is God's church? What is his building plan? Give your answer based on the verses of our text.
3. What does the psalmist mean when he says that the gospel is "from of old"? As one called to share its message, why is it important for you to know this about the gospel?

4. What does the psalmist mean when he speaks of gospel truths as "hidden things"? As one called to share its message, why is it important for you to know this about the gospel?
5. The psalmist refers to "their children" in verse 4. To whom does the word "their" refer? To whom does the word "children" refer?
6. What are some ways in which we might hide the gospel from "their children"?
7. Name some "praiseworthy deeds of the LORD."
8. Describe the psalmist's hope based on verse 7. How can we encourage each other with this same hope?
9. Discuss some ways in which we can leave a spiritual legacy.
10. Assignment: Read Psalm 78. How are we like God's people of old? How is God ever the same?