

Making application from the message:

5. Look back over your life—what are the high points or the low points that give evidence to the work of Jesus Christ in your heart?

6. How can we as individuals and as a group be more intentional about remembering the faithfulness that Jesus Christ shows to us? What can we do to keep from forgetting Him?

7. How are you and I helping others to see the evidence of God's faithfulness through our own lives? Through the testimony that Christ has given us, how are we preparing future generations to boldly walk with Him?

Forging Strong Links in the Generational Chain

Psalm 78:1-8

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How strong of a link am I?

1. The _____ (v. 1)

✧ Heed his instruction:

2. The _____ (v. 2-4)

✧ Sayings from the past:

✧ Have we been listening?

Four elements:

→Praise the Lord

→Be in awe of God's strength

→Remember God's great works

→Realize that it is *God* who has done it!

3. The _____ (v. 5-6)

✧ God set the standard (Deut. 6:5-9)

✧ Tell them so they will learn

✧ Tell them so they will tell others (2 Tim. 2:2)

4. The _____ (v. 7-8)

✧ If the message is heard, embraced, and applied...

✧ If the message is ignored, minimalized, or forgotten...

How am I remembering the work of Christ in my own life?

How am I passing that along to future generations?

How does our church recognize Jesus' work in our midst?

How are we forging future generations?

Message-Based Discussion Questions

What strategies or techniques do you use to help you remember things, people, events, etc.?

Digging Deeper:

2. As God prepared to bring His people, the Israelites, into the land He had promised them, He called Joshua to replace Moses as their leader. Read Joshua 1:1-9. What must Joshua remember as he prepares for this task?

3. Throughout the book of Joshua, God leads His people and proves Himself faithful to them. Read through the following examples, and note the ways in which Joshua leads the people to remember God:

⇒ After crossing the Jordan River (Joshua 4:1-7)

⇒ After defeating Jericho and Ai (8:34-35)

⇒ After the conquest and division of the land (23:1-8)

⇒ As his last words to the people (24:22-28)

4. What is the purpose for providing all of these opportunities for remembrance? What happens when the pattern of remembering God is not continued (see Judges 2:7-10)?