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Strong Families Leave a Legacy



Week Six

"The things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others."

2 Timothy 2:2



Psalm 78:1-4

We hide the truth of God by:

- 1. Not teaching His Word.
- 2.By not sharing our <u>experience</u> with Him with others.
- 3.By our **inconsistencies**.



Psalm 78:5

- People who do not orient their lives on Scripture cannot know what is **best** for them or their children.





"And God gave to Moses, when he had made an end of speaking with him upon Mount Sinai, the two tables of the testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God." Exodus 31:18



-There is a fixed deposit of truth to pass on to each generation. Paul tells Timothy to "guard the good deposit that has been entrusted" to him. (2 Timothy 1:14) That is the task of parents and the church, we are to preserve and transmit God's truth to the next generation.



Psalm 78:6

- God's aim is for us to pass the <u>faith</u> on to the next generation.





Psalm 78:7

-The aim of education is to teach the truth in such a way that young people will come to love it and put their hope in **God**. Changed hearts are the goal of education, not just more knowledge.



If you are going to influence the next generation, you've got to...

1. Play your part in your own generation.

"Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, O God, till I declare your power to the next generation."

Psalm 71:18



2. Care about the next generation.

3. **Teach** a few (in the next generation).

"One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts." Psalm 145:4



Henrietta Mears believed that every man and woman, every boy and girl, "must feel that there is a task for them to do, that there is a place marked X for every person in God's Kingdom. Here is my X, no one can stand in this place but me. I must help others to find their places." (Dream Big: The Henrietta Mears Story, p. 191)