

Small group optional guide: Vision Sunday; Psalm 78

UP; we grow in our love for Jesus through His word and worship

WORD:

Psalm 78 an instruction psalm: You must make it - there is such a danger that the next generation won't know the testimony and story of God

Written by Asaph: Around David and Solomon, a Levite who shared the stories and truths of God through song

> Starts with the charge

Why we must tell them

- he warns of the problems when the next generation do not know

1) whose responsibility is it?

Part of following Jesus is to tell the next generation; your position in Christ is to do this

- v1 oh my people (everyone!)

2) how do we tell them?

In stories; we are hard wired to love stories and to learn from them. Asaph tells us of the warnings and he told them in wonder

v43 - v53 terrifying wonder, dramatic story

>> do I read with wonder or have I got used to them?

v19 they spoke against God (they doubted, they mocked - they did not believe)

v29 judgement

v32 in spite of all of this (his wonders) they sinned! they did not believe

Spurgeon warns us of the danger that we put sinning against man as a worse matter than sin against God. Sin against a holy God is greater than our sin toward each other.

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3) what do we tell them?

v3 the BIG story of God

le...Noah hidden in the ark is us hidden in Christ

Tell them everything- the darker bits, the tough parts, the honest and open suffering of life, the discipline of God

- Asaph is telling the whole nation to tell of the glories of God...they didn't do it, they failed...they needed rescue.

Jesus fulfilled psalm 78, and he is the way to fulfill it all

V50 God made a path of anger for the people

WORSHIP: Great Things / Nothing But The Blood / Holy, Holy / I Give You My Heart

Words to respond and pray for each other from Sunday:

Matt: Galatians 3:10-14 trying to earn your ability to stand before God gets you back under the curse and weight of falling short of the law. This my pardon, this my plea - nothing but the blood of Jesus. Works don't earn anything, nothing but the blood of Jesus. What joy!

IN; we connect and learn to love one another

- Do I read the bible with wonder, or have they become dulled by familiarity?
- Do I avoid parts of the bible that I don't like or understand?
- How do we overcome that, trusting that all scripture is God breathed (2 Tim 3:16)

OUT; we reach out to show people outside of JCC that God loves them

> Have you considered gift day yet? Giving especially toward the need to provide 1000 food and future harvest packages through the StreetLife Zambia, Jubilee Initiative, how do you decide what to give? PRAY.

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With the help of some partners at charity WayMaker we now have a school from Baby Class right up to Secondary school with the Moto: Nurturing tomorrow's leaders.

We also have established what we call a Breakfast club, where we feed our children that are in our two homes and those under our care but come from their parent's homes but fail to afford all the meals.

