Small Group Questions

Week of November 1, 2026

Ready: Passing the Faith to the Next Generation

Psalm 78:1–7

Passing On What Matters

1. What are some of the most important lessons your grandparents taught you? What about your parents? Are there lessons from them that you hope to pass on to your own children or grandchildren?

2. If you're a parent, teacher, coach, or mentor, how have you tried to prepare the next generation? What values, beliefs, or lessons have you intentionally tried to pass on?

3. Read Psalm 78:1–7.

What stands out to you about what God wants one generation to pass on to the next? What is the ultimate goal of passing on our faith, according to verses 6–7?

4. Before we can faithfully pass the gospel on to the next generation, what needs to be true in our own lives? Why does our own relationship with Jesus matter so much?

5. When you first learned about God and the Christian faith, were there any cultural ideas, traditions, or personal opinions mixed in with what you were taught? How did you learn to distinguish those things from what Scripture actually teaches?

6. What is the difference between *law and gospel*? Why are both important, and what can go wrong when we emphasize one without the other?

Historically, do you think Christians have been better at passing on rules and expectations or helping the next generation understand the good news of Jesus? How can we intentionally pass on both the truth of God's Word and the grace of the gospel?

When the Faith Is Not Passed On

7. Read Psalm 78:8–16.

What was lost when God's people failed to remain faithful? What do these verses teach us about the importance of remembering God's faithfulness and telling the next generation what He has done?

8. Read Psalm 78:17–22.

How did the people respond to God despite everything He had done for them? What does their response reveal about the danger of knowing about God without truly trusting Him?

How can one generation's unfaithfulness affect the next?

9. Read Psalm 78:65–72.

How does God respond to His people's unfaithfulness? What do we learn about His sovereignty, grace, and faithfulness through His choice of David to shepherd His people?

How does this ending give you hope when you think about your own failures, your family, or the future of the church?

Bringing It Home

10. At CBC, we want to be an intergenerational church where people of all ages worship together, build relationships, and learn from one another. Where have you seen this happening well? What is one way you could help strengthen it?

11. Psalm 78 speaks about telling the next generation—and even *"the children yet unborn"*—about the Lord. What will it take for us as a church to faithfully pass the gospel on to generations we may never meet?

12. What is one way you could share God's faithfulness with someone in the next generation this week? Is there a story of God's work in your life that you need to tell?
13. What gifts, talents, experiences, or resources has God entrusted to you that you could use to invest in the next generation?
14. How can we better honor, encourage, and learn from the older generations in our church, helping them continue to serve and finish faithfully?

Pray Together

Spend time praying for CBC, the families in our church, and the generations still to come. Ask God to help us live faithfully, proclaim the gospel clearly, and raise up people who will trust Him and tell of His mighty works to those who come after them.