

These notes are designed to be used by small groups on Zoom, by members of a family or by a couple of friends on the telephone. They are based on our Sunday sermons and are designed to help us all think through the issues raised about “God in my Everything”. You will get the most out of them if you have heard the sermon first.

Sermon Date

Sunday, 17th October. David Long

Bible Passage

Psalm 78: 1 - 7

Theme & Introduction

Psalm 78 contains a short introduction followed by a potted history of Israel from Moses to David. Verses 1 – 8, the introduction, exhort us to tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord and his statutes.

Questions

- 1 Spend a few minutes telling a family story, like some of those mentioned in the sermon. You might like to include one of your Lifeline stories, but you could choose humorous one, too.
- 2 The Psalmist says,

We will tell the next generation
the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord,
His power and the wonders he has done. [Psalm 78: 4]

Come up with a shortlist of 5 or 6 stories from Scripture that you think are the most important to pass onto the next generation.

Then have a go at telling some of these in a way that will capture the imagination of a young person.

- 3 Jesus often taught in parables. Why do you think that was?
A parable is like a sharp stick or a political cartoon. You can't read it without being brought to a place where you need to make a decision. Have a look at some of the parables below and suggest what decision needs to be made:
 - Matthew 13: 44, 45
 - Luke 12: 13 – 21
 - Luke 10: 25 - 37