



What Dad Said

Psalm 44:1-8

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Introduction:

Does defeat cause you to call out to God? If we are honest, it certainly does. We can identify with the individuals in Psalm 44. They were in the midst of defeat that prompted them to cry out to God. Interestingly, remembering the stories of God's marvelous works, that their fathers communicated to them, inspired them to call out to God from the midst of their defeat. Tonight, we will observe how that fathers have a long-reaching impact on the faith of the next generation.

1. The _____ of their Fathers (1-3)

A. They _____ God Work (1)

Psalm 44:1 We have heard with our ears, O God, Our fathers have told us, What work thou didst in their days, in the times of old.

NOTE: These fathers had seen the powerful hand of God at work in days of old.

See 1 Chronicles 5:10

1 Chronicles 5:20–22 And they were helped against them, and the Hagarites were delivered into their hand, and all that were with them: for they cried to God in the battle, and he was intreated of them; because they put their trust in him. 21 And they took away their cattle; of their camels fifty thousand, and of sheep two hundred and fifty thousand, and of asses

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two thousand, and of men an hundred thousand. 22 For there fell down many slain, because the war was of God. And they dwelt in their steads until the captivity.

B. The _____ of God's Work (2-3)

Psalm 44:1 We have heard with our ears, O God, Our fathers have told us...

Psalm 44:2-3 How thou didst drive out the heathen with thy hand, and plantedst them; How thou didst afflict the people, and cast them out. 3 For they got not the land in possession by their own sword, Neither did their own arm save them: But thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, Because thou hadst a favour unto them.

NOTE: The past works of God was common conversation within the homes of godly Israelites.

QUOTE: When fathers are tongue-tied religiously with their offspring, need they wonder if their children's hearts remain sin-tied? —Spurgeon

Psalm 71:18 Now also when I am old and grayheaded, O God, forsake me not; Until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, And thy power to every one that is to come.

Joshua 4:21-24 And he spake unto the children of Israel, saying, When your children shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean these stones? 22 Then ye shall let your children know, saying, Israel came over this Jordan on dry land. 23 For the Lord your God dried up the waters of Jordan from before you, until ye were passed over; as the Lord your God did to the Red sea, which he dried up from before us, until we were gone over: 24 That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the Lord, that it is mighty: that ye might fear the Lord your God for ever.

QUOTE: Our perception of God is scene through the image of Dad. —Bryan Loritts, ChurchPulse

2. The _____ of their God (4-5)

A. God who is _____ (4)

Psalm 44:4a Thou art my King, O God...

DEFINITION—KING: person of authority; supreme

DEFINITION—GOD: Elohim; This name is translated “God” in Genesis 1:1 and throughout the Old Testament, and carries the idea of strength. God is the Mighty One who created all things. (*Rick Flanders*)

B. God who can _____ (4b-5)

When our King is Elohim, our requests made in prayer produce resolve mixed with praise.

Psalm 44:4b-5 ...Command deliverances for Jacob. Through thee will we push down our enemies: Through thy name will we tread them under that rise up against us.

NOTE: Prayer is a declaration of dependance.

1 Samuel 14:6 And Jonathan said to the young man that bare his armour, Come, and let us go over unto the garrison of these uncircumcised: it may be that the Lord will work for us: for there is no restraint to the Lord to save by many or by few.

3. The _____ of their Future (6-8)

A. One of Total _____ (6-7)

Psalm 44:6-7 For I will not trust in my bow, Neither shall my sword save me. 7 But thou hast saved us from our enemies, And hast put them to shame that hated us.

Isaiah 26:3-4 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on thee: Because he trusteth in thee. 4 Trust ye in the Lord for ever: For in the Lord JEHOVAH is everlasting strength:

B. One of Persistent _____ (8)

Psalm 44:8 In God we boast all the day long, And praise thy name for ever. Selah.

DEFINITION—BOAST: to boast; to show off verbally.

SELAH — pause

Conclusion

Paul—Timothy

2 Timothy 3:10-11 But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience, 11 Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me.

NOTE: What is broken in society can and should be mended in the context of the Local Church?

