

# A CULTURE OF GOSPEL: Generations

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## Warm-Up Question:

What was your relationship with the church as a child? Enjoy going if you did go?

**READ: Psalm 78:1-8** 

#### I. GOSPEL GENERATIONS: THE PICTURE

- From these first 8 verses, what is the calling of a healthy church culture in regards to the next generation? (Point out something in every verse in v. 3-8)
- ▶ Read Deut. 6:6-9. Being that no parent does this as well as we should, how does the church support parents in this calling?

#### **II. GOSPEL GENERATIONS: THE PRACTICE**

- A) The Church That Blesses CHILDREN, God Will Bless
- From Mark 10:13-16, how did Jesus view children?
- What are some ways you see SRC prioritizing children? Discuss some ways these ministries are impacting the next generation.
  - B) RETIREES Are The Not-So-Hidden Secret of Seven Rivers
- ▶ Read Lev. 19:32, Job 12:12, and Prov. 20:29. Discuss how the church should view those who are older in age.
- Read 1 Tim. 6:17-19. How are retirees "rich" in time, talents and treasure? How does Paul direct you to use your "riches"? What's the reward of doing this?
- What are some ways that you, your family or your Life Group are already doing this? What are some ways God might be calling you to do this all the more?
  - C) Pass Down The Gospel, NOT RELIGION
- From Ps. 78:4, 10-13, what are we supposed to be passing on to children? How is it NOT a message of "just be a good kid..."?
- ▶ How would you describe the greatness and grace of God to a child?

What is one main take-away you want to apply in your life this week?

...but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."

- Matt. 19:14

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