

## Grandparenting

Question: Am I done yet?

### Psalm 78:1-8 (ESV)

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth! <sup>2</sup>I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, <sup>3</sup>things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us. <sup>4</sup>We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done. <sup>5</sup>He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers to teach to their children, <sup>6</sup>that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children, <sup>7</sup>so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments; <sup>8</sup>and that they should not be like their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation, a generation whose heart was not steadfast, whose spirit was not faithful to God.

### Deuteronomy 4:9 (ESV)

"Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children . . ."

### Deuteronomy 6:1-3 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup>Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules—that the Lord your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess it, <sup>2</sup>that you may fear the Lord your God, you and your son and your son's son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long. <sup>3</sup>Hear therefore, O Israel, and be careful to do them, that it may go well with you, and that you may multiply greatly, as the Lord, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey.

### Psalm 71:17-18 (ESV)

<sup>17</sup>O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds. <sup>18</sup>So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all those to come.

In their book *Extreme Grandparenting*, Tim and Darcey Kimmel write,  
"Grandparents are the link to the past, the anchor to the present, and the bridge to the future."

### Judges 2:10 (ESV)

And all that generation also were gathered to their fathers. And there arose another generation after them who did not know the Lord or the work that he had done for Israel.

### Titus 2:1-8 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup>But as for you, teach what accords with sound doctrine. <sup>2</sup>Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness. <sup>3</sup>Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, <sup>4</sup>and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, <sup>5</sup>to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled. <sup>6</sup>Likewise, urge the

