

How to Be an Upbeat Dad

(Psalm 78:1-8)

Psalm 78:1, 3 (NIV)

**O my people, hear my teaching;
listen to the words of my mouth.
what we have heard and known,
what our fathers have told us.**

Psalm 78:4 (NIV)

**We will not hide them from their children;
we will tell the next generation
the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord,
his power, and the wonders he has done.**

Psalm 78:5-6 (NIV)

**⁵He decreed statutes for Jacob
and established the law in Israel,
which he commanded our forefathers to
teach their children,
⁶so the next generation would know them,
even the children yet to be born,
and they in turn would tell their children.**

Psalm 78:7-8 (NIV)

Then they would put their trust in God and would not forget his deeds but would keep his commands.

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