

A Generation to Stand

Psalms 78:1-8

Psalms 78:1 Give ear, O my people, *to* my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old: Which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us. We will not hide *them* from their children, shewing to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done. For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children: That the generation to come might know *them, even* the children *which* should be born; *who* should arise and declare *them* to their children: That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments: And might not be as their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation; a generation *that* set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not stedfast with God.

Over 267 times we find the word stand in the Bible. We as Christians are called to stand up against the ways of the world and for the things of God.

I Samuel 12:16 "Now therefore stand and see this great thing, which the LORD will do before your eyes."

I. It is a Spiritual Decision (verse 7 - *That they might set their hope in God*)

Because it is a spiritual decision, there will be opposition from -

- the enemy. - Devil
- Others - Friends, Family
- Self - Old man

Romans 7:24-25 "*O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death? I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God*"

II. It is a Costly Decision (verse 8 *And might not be as their fathers*)

Stand against Family, Friends....

The influence of one Generation!

III. It is a Personal Decision (verse 7 - *That they...*)

Does not matter your family, history, you are in danger if you will not choose to stand personally for the Lord

IV. It is a Rewarded Decision