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Daily Reflections

JOURNEYING THROUGH CHALLENGING TIMES

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DO NOT FORGET THE WORKS OF THE LORD

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Responsorial Psalm

*What we have heard and know,
and what our fathers have declared to us,
we will declare to the generation to come
The glorious deeds of the LORD and his strength.*

*That they too may rise and declare to their sons
that they should put their hope in God,
And not forget the deeds of God
but keep his commands.*

*And not be like their fathers,
a generation wayward and rebellious,
A generation that kept not its heart steadfast
nor its spirit faithful toward God.*

Reflection

The whole of Psalm 78 is a long retelling of Israel's experience of the Exodus-Conquest. It presents a lesson for the current generation of believers urging them not to ignore the acts of God and their significance as their ancestors did. Ultimately, the message reminds the people that their God has not left them without a shrine (gathering place for community and worship) or a shepherd (a guide and protector) throughout the Exodus-Conquest journey.

These beginning verses of the psalm are a summary urging the people not to forget the deeds of God and so, in this remembering, to put their hope in the LORD rather than live like their ancestors who did not keep their hearts steadfast/loyal.



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For Pondering

- What part of the Exodus-Conquest story are you experiencing today?
- What actions of God do you recognize in your experience?

- What is God saying to you? What is your response?
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For Prayer

*God, you've given me
the physical, emotional
and spiritual will
to overcome so many obstacles
that have risen before me.
How many times have I faced
what I perceived to be
impossible, hopeless situations
and withstood them—
and discovered creative solutions
through which to surmount
and master them.
You've strengthened me
again and again.
I know that you
will never fail me.*

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