

⁹ The human mind plans the way, but the Lord directs the steps. **Proverbs 16:9**

⁴ Show me Your ways, O Lord; Teach me Your paths. ⁵ Lead me in Your truth and teach me, For You are the God of my salvation; On You I wait all day long. **Psalm 25:4, 5**

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TEXT: PSALM 78:1-7

TITLE: IS IT A GOOD TIME TO TALK?

INTRODUCTION

- A. What others feel about our children
- B. What we feel about our children

LET ME HAVE A WORD WITH YOU

- A. We must affirm our shared history
- B. They took us out of Africa. However, they could not take Africa out of us
 - 1. Shared experiences throughout the South
 - 2. Shared experiences Africa to America
- C. “Up from Slavery versus Down from Africa” Taki Raton
 - 1. They diminished the Continent
 - 2. They diminished the Citizens
 - 3. They diminished the Culture
 - 4. So they could hide the truth
- D. If you are not sure, talk with someone

BECAUSE WE NEED TO HAVE A WORD WITH THEM

- A. “We will not hide these truths from our children; we will tell the next generation”
- B. **Deuteronomy 6:6-9**, ⁶ “*And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart.*” ⁷ *You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.* ⁸ *You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes.* ⁹ *You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.*
- C. “About the glorious deeds of the Lord”
- D. “About his power and his mighty wonders”
- E. The power of our testimony

SO THEY CAN LIVE THE WORD THEMSELVES

- A. They cannot live what they have not learned
- B. “So the next generation might know them—even the children not yet born—
- C. How can they teach what they do not know
- D. “And they in turn will teach their own children.”
 - 1. “So each generation should set its hope anew on God”
 - 2. “Not forgetting his glorious miracles”
 - 3. “Obeying his commands.”