

# The Witness of Yesterday

by John Henry Jowett

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*The sermon emphasizes the importance of witnessing to our children and sharing our experiences with God to enrich their lives.*

**Scripture:** Deuteronomy 6:6, 1 Chronicles 16:12, Psalm 78:4, Psalm 145:4, John 6:9

**Topics:** "Faith Transmission", "Gods Providence"

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## Description

John Henry Jowett emphasizes the importance of passing down our faith experiences to the next generation, teaching them about the pitfalls we faced, the grace we received, and the wonders of God's providence. He highlights the need for our lives to be a witness of God's faithfulness to our children, guiding them through their own trials and uncertainties. Jowett encourages believers to draw from the rich reservoir of God's past miracles and interventions to find inspiration and strength for today's challenges.

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## Transcript

PSALM lxxviii. 1-8.

Our yesterdays are to be the teachers of our children. We are to take them over our road, and show them the pitfalls where we stumbled and the snares that lured us away. And we are to show them how we found the springs of grace, and how the Lord made Himself known to us in daily providence and care. We are to relate His exploits, "His wonderful dealings with the children of men." We must make our life witness of God to our children, and when their minds roam over our road they must see it radiant with the grace and mercy of the Lord.

The best inheritance I can give my child is a steadfast witness of my knowledge of God. The testimony of a light that never failed may give him the needful wisdom when his own way becomes troubled with clouds and

darkness. And what a story it is, this story of the deeds of our gracious God. It is full of quickening for weary and desponding souls. It is a perfect reservoir of inspiration for those whose desire has failed, and in whose lives the wells of impulse have become dry. Let us bring forward yesterday's wealth to enrich the life of to-day. "Do ye not remember the miracle of the loaves?"

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