SUMMARY | Wisdom from previous generations provides a compass for us to navigate through life. The experiences of the ones who lived before us equip us to live better every day. Psalm 71 is a song or prayer from someone who has gained a lifetime of experience that must be shared. The author desires to pass along wisdom to the next generation that they might also know and experience the goodness and faithfulness of God. Join us as we explore the insights found in this inspirational and rich psalm and find encouragement to share your faith with those younger than you.

This Week’s Discussion Questions

1. Read Psalm 71:5–6, 17. What is the common theme of these verses? How does it speak to God’s faithfulness?

2. Psalm 71 begins with the singer recounting God’s past faithfulness as a reminder of God’s help in the present. What are you facing today that would challenge you to lean into God’s faithfulness?

3. Read Psalm 71:5–15. What causes the psalmist to find hope in God during dark times? Consider difficult times when God has been faithful to you and give Him thanks for His care.

4. In Psalm 71:22–24, the psalmist celebrates God and His faithfulness. How might you praise and honor our faithful God for what He has done for you?
Challenge

What experiences have reinforced to you God’s faithfulness?
In what tangible ways can you model or express God’s faithfulness to the younger generation of Christ-followers?

Commit To Memory

Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, my God, till I declare your power to the next generation, your mighty acts to all who are to come.

Psalm 71:18

Prayer

Thank You, Father, for Your faithfulness to me over the years. In times when I feel alone and forgotten and the trials of life seem too much to bear, remind me that You are faithful and are there to stand by me with Your love and care.

Amen.