Psalm 78:1-7ⁱⁱⁱ

¹Hear my teaching, O my people; * incline your ears to the words of my mouth. ²I will open my mouth in a parable; * I will declare the mysteries of ancient times. ³That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, * we will not hide from their children. ⁴We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the LORD, * and the wonderful works he has done. ⁵He gave his decrees to Jacob and established a law for Israel, * which he commanded them to teach their children; ⁶That the generations to come might know, and the children yet unborn; * that they in their turn might tell it to their children; ⁷So that they might put their trust in God, * and not forget the deeds of God, but keep his commandments.

About the Psalm: Psalm 78:1-7

The psalmist invites the people to reflect upon their past history and learn from their mistakes in relation to God. Though God chose to make a covenant with them, the people have forgotten god's commands and rebelled. They cannot afford to do this any longer so they must be more dedicated to learning God's ways.