

## The Failure of Ephraim

Psa 78:9 The children of Ephraim, [being] armed, [and] carrying bows, turned back in the day of battle.

We want to consider how not to repeat the failure of Ephraim, how to avoid turning back in the day of battle.

1. We must prioritize \_\_\_\_\_.
  - We need experience with \_\_\_\_\_ before going to the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Our training should continually stretch us to obey in new fronts.

★ Failure without \_\_\_\_\_ leads to future \_\_\_\_\_.

Psalm 78:10 They kept not the covenant of God, and refused to walk in his law;

2. We must praise continually.
  - Praise in the preparations \_\_\_\_\_ our hearts against turning back when the battle comes.
  - The practice of praise reminds us that God \_\_\_\_\_ when \_\_\_\_\_ does.

★ Providence without \_\_\_\_\_ leads to \_\_\_\_\_.

Psalm 78:10 And forgot his works, and his wonders that he had shewed them.

Video from Eric Brown...

Summary of Eric's points...

3. Set right expectations.
  - a. When we set unreal expectations, and reality does not look like what we imagined, we are more likely to walk away in search of an ideal that God never gave us.
4. Work where God is working
  - a. As you are getting equipped, practice \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in battles as the Lord leads.