

## 13—Passages of Time

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### INTRO:

#### I. → Psalms 71:15-18

*My mouth will tell of your righteous deeds,  
of your saving acts all day long—  
though I know not how to relate them all.  
I will come and proclaim your mighty acts, LORD God;  
I will proclaim your righteous deeds, yours alone.  
→ Since my youth, God, you have taught me,  
and to this day I declare your marvelous deeds.  
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.*

#### II. Then: getting out to a new, hip joint

Now: getting fitted for a new hip-joint

Then: Moving to California because it's cool

Now: Moving to California because it's warm

Then: Hoping for a BMW

Now: Hoping for a BM

Then: Passing the driving test

Now: Passing the vision test

#### III. CATCHING UP TO MY WISDOM

### BODY:

#### I. The Affects of Aging

A. We all experience disabilities with the passing of time.

##### 1) **Genesis 48:10**

*Now Israel's eyes were failing because of old age, and he could hardly see. So Joseph brought his sons close to him, and his father kissed them and embraced them.*

- 2) AGE RELATED DEMENTIA
  - a) 3% 65-74; 19% 75-84; 50% over 85
  - b) Alzheimers 60-70%; Vascular 20%; Lewy Bodies; Parkinson's
- 3) GRANDMA WAKING GRANDPA UP FOR BREAKFAST
- 4) LADY ASKING HER FRIEND HER NAME

B. Sometimes the worst affect is becoming isolated.

- 1) **Zechariah 8:4-5**  
*This is what the Lord Almighty says: "Once again men and women of ripe old age will sit in the streets of Jerusalem, each of them with cane in hand because of their age. The city streets will be filled with boys and girls playing there."*
- 2) UNDERSTANDING ISOLATION DURING COVID

## II. The Care of Aging

A. We have opportunities now that only come around once.

- 1) **Ephesians 6:2-3**  
*"Honor your father and mother"—which is the first commandment with a promise—"so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth."*
- 2) TAKING GRANDMA OUT TO LUNCH

B. Every generation has a responsibility to care for their family.

- 1) **1 Timothy 5:8**  
*Anyone who does not provide for their relatives, and especially for their own household, has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.*
- 2) CLUB SANDICH GENERATION
- 3) JOE LOUIS OR ROCKY MARCIANO  
 37-49; 52-56

### III. The Grace of Aging

A. Some things only get better with the passage of time.

1) **Psalms 92:12-15**

*The righteous will flourish like a palm tree,  
they will grow like a cedar of Lebanon;  
planted in the house of the Lord,  
they will flourish in the courts of our God.  
They will still bear fruit in old age,  
they will stay fresh and green.*

2) UP—FINDING A NEW PURPOSE IN LIFE

3) GUY LOMBARDO—"ENJOY YOURSELF"

B. The seasons of time are part of the wonderful gift of life.

1) **Psalms 71:18**

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do not forsake me, my God,  
till I declare your power to the next generation,  
your mighty acts to all who are to come.*

2) DAD AND LONDA EASTER 2008

## **OTHER SCRIPTURES:**

Genesis 25:8-9

Then Abraham breathed his last and died at a good old age, an old man and full of years; and he was gathered to his people.

Psalms 37:25-26

I was young and now I am old,  
yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken  
or their children begging bread.  
They are always generous and lend freely;  
their children will be a blessing.

Isaiah 46:4

“Even to your old age and gray hairs  
I am he, I am he who will sustain you.  
I have made you and I will carry you;  
I will sustain you and I will rescue you.”

1 Kings 15:23-24

As for all the other events of Asa’s reign, all his achievements, all he did and the cities he built, are they not written in the book of the annals of the kings of Judah? In his old age, however, his feet became diseased.