

Next Gen Sunday

[Psa 71:17-21 ESV] 17 O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds. 18 So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all those to come. 19 Your righteousness, O God, reaches the high heavens. You who have done great things, O God, who is like you? 20 You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive me again; from the depths of the earth you will bring me up again. 21 You will increase my greatness and comfort me again.

I. Intro

- A. This Sunday's sermon will be ver different, not simply the teaching of the word, but a demonstration of the importance of the continuation of the teaching of the word.
- B. Church is more than a Sunday gathering of believers.
- C. Church is a group that IS the body of Christ, and Is the representative of Christ in this world.
- D. We have to invest in the next generation, it is vital to the cause of Christ.

II. Text

- A. Verse 17
 - 1. What did you learn about God from your youth?
 - 2. How are you furthering the cause that is still going on to proclaim to the next generation today?
- B. Verse 18
 - 1. Goal of receiving, is proclaiming
 - 2. Let us proclaim HIM to another generation
- C. Verse 19: A statement of praise...a little praise break
- D. Verse 20: A reminder of strength
- E. Verse 21: the source doesn't stop!

III. Point

- A. Invest in the Next Generation
 - 1. We must give our children an alternative to the world, and to pop culture
 - 2. Some of the ways we have reached the younger generations in the past might not work today, but there are roots of GLORY in the effort.
- B. Invest in the Gospel
 - 1. Everything we do should be an investment in the gospel
 - 2. We have a huge responsibility and challenge.
 - 3. Give of your time, talent, and treasure for the cause of Christ's mission.
- C. Invest in the Mission
 - 1. Let us give generously to the mission Christ has before us.
 - 2. We invest because:
 - a) We are expected to give
 - b) We are honored to give
 - c) We are blessed to give

IV. Close:

- A. I ask you to give cheerfully, willingly, and sacrificially
- B. What I've asked you to do from the beginning of this project is to seek God and obey Him in regards to giving.
- C. Let us make sure the NEXT GENERATION hears the gospel.