

## *VERSES ON GENERATIONS*

**Ex 20:5-6** 5 I, Yahweh your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children on the third and the fourth generations of those who hate me, 6 but showing loyal love to thousands, to those who love me and keep my commandments.

**Ex 34:6-7** 6 Yahweh passed before [Moses] and proclaimed: Yahweh, Yahweh, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in loyal love and faithfulness, 7 keeping loyal love for the thousandth generation, forgiving iniquity, offense, and sin, yet by no means clearing the guilty, but visiting the iniquity of the parents upon the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation.

**Nu 26:63-65** 63 These are those who were numbered by Moses and Eleazar the priest, who numbered the sons of Israel in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho. 64 But among these there was not a man of those who were numbered by Moses and Aaron the priest, who numbered the sons of Israel in the wilderness of Sinai. 65 For Yahweh had said of them: They will certainly die in the wilderness. And not a man was left of them except Caleb the son of Jephunneh and Joshua the son of Nun.

**Jos 24:31** 31 Israel served Yahweh all the days of Joshua and all the days of the elders who survived Joshua and had known all the deeds of Yahweh that he had done for Israel.

**Jdg 2:7-11** 7 The people served Yahweh all the days of Joshua and all the days of the elders who survived Joshua, who had seen all the great work of Yahweh that he had done for Israel. 8 Then Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Yahweh, died at the age of one hundred and ten. ... 10 All that generation also were gathered to their fathers. And there arose another generation after them who did not know Yahweh, nor yet the work that he had done for Israel. 11 Then the sons of Israel did evil in the sight of Yahweh and served the Baals.

**Jdg 2:20-23** 20 Because [Israel] has overstepped (עבר) my covenant that I commanded their fathers and has not listened to my voice, 21 I also will no longer drive out before them any of the nations that Joshua left when he died, 22 in order to test Israel by them, whether they will keep the way of Yahweh to walk in it as their fathers did or not. 23 So Yahweh allowed those nations to remain, not driving them out quickly.<sup>1</sup>

**2 Ki 20:16-19** 16 Isaiah said to Hezekiah: Hear the word of Yahweh. 17 Look, the days are coming when all that is in your house and all that your fathers have laid up in store to this day will be carried to Babylon. Nothing will be left, says Yahweh. 18 Some of your sons who will issue from you, whom you will beget, will be taken away, and they will become officials in the palace of the king of Babylon. 19 Then Hezekiah said to Isaiah: The word of Yahweh that you have spoken is good. For he thought: Is it not so, if there will be peace and truth in my days?

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<sup>1</sup> Just as individuals are responsible for themselves, so generations are responsible for themselves. No generation can take the test of another generation.

**Ps 22:30-31** 30 Posterity will serve [Yahweh]. It will be told of Yahweh to the coming generation. 31 They will come and will declare his righteousness to a people who will be born, that he has performed it.

**Ps 48:12-13** 12 Walk about Zion and go around her. Count her towers. 13 Consider her ramparts. Go through her palaces, that you may tell it to the next generation.

**Ps 71:18** 18 Even when I am old and gray, O God, do not forsake me, until I declare your strength to this generation, your power to all who are to come.

**Ps 78:1-8** 1 Listen, my people, to my law (תּוֹרָה). Incline your ears to the words of my mouth. 2 I will open my mouth in a parable. I will utter dark sayings of old 3 that we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us. 4 We will not conceal them from their children but tell to the generation to come the praises of Yahweh, his strength, and the wondrous works he has done. 5 For he established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, that he commanded our fathers that they should teach them to their children, 6 that the generation to come might know, even the children yet to be born, that they may arise and tell them to their children, 7 that they should put their confidence in God and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments, 8 and not be like their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation, a generation that did not prepare its heart and whose spirit was not faithful to God.

**Ps 79:13** 13 We your people and the sheep of your pasture will give thanks to you [Lord] forever. To all generations we will tell of your praise.

**Ps 89:1-4** 1 I will sing of the loyal love of Yahweh forever. To all generations I will make known your faithfulness with my mouth. 2 For I have said: Loyal love will be built up forever. In the heavens you will establish your faithfulness. 3 I have made a covenant with my chosen. I have sworn to David my servant: 4 I will establish your seed forever and build up your throne to all generations. Selah.

**Ps 100:5** 5 Yahweh is good. His loyal love is everlasting, and his faithfulness (אֱמֻנָה) is to all generations.

**Ps 145:4** 4 One generation will praise your works to another and will declare your mighty acts.

**Ps 145:13** Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

**Pr 4:1-5** 1 Hear, sons, the instruction of a father, and give attention that you may gain understanding. 2 For I give you sound teaching. Do not abandon my instruction. 3 When I was a son to my father, tender and the only son in the sight of my mother, 4 then he taught me and said to me: Let your heart hold fast my words. Keep my commandments and live. 5 Acquire wisdom! Acquire understanding! Do not forget nor turn away from the words of my mouth.

**Is 41:4** 4 Who has performed and accomplished it, calling forth the generations from the beginning? I, Yahweh, am the first and with the last. I am he (אֲנִי-יְהוָה).

**Mt 12:41-42** 41 The men of Nineveh will stand up with this generation [of Jews] at the judgment and will condemn it because they repented at the preaching of Jonah. And look, something greater than Jonah is here. 42 The Queen of the South will rise up with this generation [of Jews] at the judgment and will condemn it because she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon. And look, something greater than Solomon is here.

**Mt 23:34-36** 34 Look, I [Jesus] am sending you prophets, wise men, and scribes. Some of them you will kill and crucify, and some of them you will scourge in your synagogues and persecute from city to city, 35 so that upon you may fall all the righteous blood shed on earth, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, whom you murdered between the temple and the altar. 36 Truly I say to you, all these things will come upon this generation.

**Lk 1:50** 50 [God's] mercy is upon generation after generation toward those who fear him.

**Lk 17:25** 25 First [the Son of Man] must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation [of Jews].

**Ac 13:36** 36 David, after he had served the purpose of God in his own generation, fell asleep and was laid among his fathers....

**Ac 14:16** 16 In the generations gone by [God] permitted all the nations to go their own ways.

**Ac 17:26-27** 26 [God] made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation, 27 that they would seek God, if perhaps they might grope for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us.

**Eph 3:4-6** 4 You [Ephesians] can understand my [Paul's] insight into the mystery of Messiah, 5 which in other generations was not made known to the sons of men as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit, 6 that [believers from among] the nations are co-heirs and co-members of the body, and co-partakers of the promise in Messiah Jesus through the gospel.

**Eph 3:21** 21 To [God] be the glory in the church and in Messiah Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

**Php 2:14-15** 14 Do all things without grumbling or disputing, 15 so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world.

**Col 1:25-27** 25 Of [this church] I was made a minister according to the stewardship from God bestowed on me for your benefit, so that I might fully carry out the word of God, 26 the

mystery that has been hidden from the ages and generations, but has now been manifested to his saints, 27 to whom God willed to make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the nations, which is Messiah in you, the hope of glory.