

Good Words – Short-Thought Series

Ageing Gracefully

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 He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.*
¹³ *Those who are planted in the house of the LORD
 Shall flourish in the courts of our God.*
¹⁴ *They shall still bear fruit in old age;
 They shall be ^[c]fresh and ^[d]flourishing,*
¹⁵ *To declare that the LORD is upright;
 He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him. Psalm 92:12-15 NKJV.*

Most mornings I life my hands to the Lord. Words go through my mind like; surrender, submission, honour, majesty, worship, magnify, exalt, praise, glorify. Lord my prayer this morning is, please don't let me become a cranky, grumpy, prickly, ungrateful, hard-to-please old man. But instead let me be gracious, thankful, appreciative, always with a kind gracious word, easily pleased, fresh in God, filled with joy, pleasant and filled with Your Spirit and wisdom.

Cause The root	Leads to	Effect The fruit
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Reason		
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Old age characteristics:

i. Fixed	Planted in God and in His house. Secure. Unmoveable. Mature.
ii. Fruitful	Clearly identified gifts and talents, and experience in functioning in them.
iii. Fresh	Alive, hearing from God, current truths, new revelation, full of Holy Spirit.
iv. Flourishing	Growing, and alive, and prospering in every area.
v. Forever	Always declaring God's greatness, forever confessing God is the Lord!

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