



CELL GUIDE

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MESSAGE SUMMARY

INTRODUCTION

Singapore is a super-aged nation. By 2026, 1 in 5 will be over 65 and by 2030, 1 in 4 will be over 65 years old. In BBTC, almost 35% of our people is within the 50 and 70 age group. There is a sense of urgency across generations both inside and outside the church to act on this super-aging issue as the impact is intergenerational. God wants to stir up an urgency from the passion of His heart and for the purposes of His Kingdom. Pastor Eugene shared about three things that will move seniors to divine purpose urgency – a parable, a prophecy, and a prayer.

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1) A Parable – An Urgency of Destiny

In the parable of the vineyard (Matt 20:8-16), the landowner paid the workers who were hired last the same amount as those who were hired first. This parable tells us that God does not measure us the way the world measure things. God does not measure us by performance and achievements but simply by who we are. In John 2:8-10 where Jesus changed water into wine, the best wine was saved for the last. In God's economy, the last shall be first and the best is saved for the last.

Despite the world telling seniors that they are past their prime, God says their last season could be their first and best season yet. God is our Creator, and He wants us to arrive at our best life moments when the Lord holds our hands and walks us into glory. God has a perfect plan for our life (Jer 29:11), even for our end of days. In this season, we need to be connected to Jesus more than ever and avail ourselves to Him. Most importantly, we must do whatever He tells us. Destiny is God's purposeful design for our lives fulfilled as we walk in a relationship with Him in faith and obedience.

2) A Prophecy – An Urgency of Purpose

Embedded within the prophetic words of Acts 2:17-18 is the statement that says, "your young men will see visions and your old men will dream dreams". God is reminding us of an intergenerational relationship and unity that is important to the end time season of revival. When the dreams of the old are found in the visions of the young, and the visions of the young embrace the dreams of the old, God will pour out His Spirit.

Seniors are urged to dream big and claim their spiritual inheritance, as exemplified by Caleb in Joshua 14:9-12. The anointing flowed to the next generation as Caleb took on the promise, provisions and

inheritance of God that he was given (Josh 15:13-14, 16-17, 19). The focus is on fulfilling their life calling and leaving a legacy for future generations.

3) A Prayer – An Urgency of the Spirit

Every senior generation is called to intercede and stand in the gap for the next generation (1 Sam 12:1-2, 23).

What will a prayer for the next generation be like?

- a. That They Know God - Be Saved (John 17:3)
- b. That They be Protected –Be Safe (John 17:15)
- c. That They be One – Be United and Love One Another (John 17: 21)

We need to learn how to pray intergenerationally – the senior generation for the next generation and vice versa. We also need to watch and pray for one another lest we become complacent and self-sufficient because the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak (Mark 14:38). When we pray in integrity and unity, God will bring forth a new revival.

CONCLUSION

There is an urgency of destiny – do not miss it or settle for anything less. Regardless of our age, we are encouraged to embrace our God-given purpose and destiny, with the message that "the best is yet to be." We should also view the role of seniors as a vital resource for spiritual revival and societal impact.

There is an urgency of purpose – do not lose it. God has prepared an inheritance for us that points to our life's call and purpose, legacy and destiny (Psa 71:18, Acts 13:36). When we embrace that and take possession of all that God has given to us, the generational blessings will start to flow as we fulfil God's purpose.

There is an urgency of prayer – do not drop it. Just like how Jesus prayed for us, it is important for the senior generation to intercede and pray for the next generation, and the next generation for the senior generation, asking for salvation, protection, unity, and love. Always keep watch and encourage one another in prayer.

QUESTIONS

1. What spiritual inheritance do I carry that I want to pass on? How can I actively invest in leaving a legacy for the next generation?

2. *For Seniors:* What does Jesus' teaching that "the last will be first" mean for how I view my own role and purpose in this season of life? In what ways can I step into "refirement" rather than retirement?

For Younger Generation: How does "the last will be first" shape the way I honour and value the seniors around me? What is one way I can support or encourage them in their season of refirement?

3. Acts 2:17 says "old men will dream dreams." What does this mean for seniors today? How can seniors partner with younger generations in God's mission and in intercession?