

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2023

MORNING MESSAGE

“The Testimony of a Godly Old Man”

Psalm 71:17-18

- I. THE PAST OF THE OLD MAN – “O God, thou hast taught me from my youth” (v.17a)
 - A. His training; the emphasis is on the word “taught”
 - B. His teacher; the emphasis is on “O God, thou”
 - C. His time; the emphasis is on the word “youth”
 1. Verse 5, “For thou art my hope, O Lord God: thou art my trust from my youth”
 - D. His tenacity; the emphasis is on the word “from”
- II. THE PRESENT OF THE OLD MAN – “and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works” (v.17b)
 - A. His present life; the emphasis is on the word “hitherto”
 1. Joshua 17:14, “forasmuch as the Lord hath blessed me hitherto”
 - B. His preaching life; the emphasis is on the word “declared”
 1. Matthew 28:19, “Go ye therefore and teach all nations”
 2. Acts 1:8, “And ye shall be witnesses unto me”
 - C. His praising life: the emphasis is on “thy wondrous works”
- III. THE PRAYER OF THE OLD MAN – “Now also when I am old and grayheaded, O God, forsake me not: until I have showed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to everyone that is to come” (v.18)
 - A. His plea; the emphasis is on “forsake me not”
 - B. His proposal; the emphasis is on “this generation” and “that is to come”
 1. Hebrews 13:5, “I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee”