

Sunday Morning, May 1, 2024 » Pastor Josiah Kagin

**Message Title:** Thriving in Every Season

**Message Text:** Psalm 71:17-18

## Introduction:

As we consider Biblical principles for families, it is easy to focus the season of life that includes raising children. However, the God's Word gives us many illustrations about the grand parenting and what we would call the *retirement* season of life. Until we stand before God and give an account of our service to Him, we can and should thrive in our relationship with Him and our responsibility to Him. Let's see how we can thrive in every season of life from the testimony of David.

## 1. A \_\_\_\_\_ Pattern (17)

### A. To be a \_\_\_\_\_ (17a)

*Psalm 71:17 O God, thou hast taught me from my youth...*

DEFINITION—TAUGHT: to impart knowledge to; to lecture, disciple

CHILD—TEEN—ADULT—KING

*1 Samuel 17:26, And David spake to the men that stood by him, saying, What shall be done to the man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from Israel? for who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?*

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*1 Samuel 17:29 And David said, What have I now done? Is there not a cause?*

*1 Samuel 17:33–37 And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth. 34 And David said unto Saul, Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock: 35 And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered it out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught him by his beard, and smote him, and slew him. 36 Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he hath defied the armies of the living God. 37 David said moreover, The Lord that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and the Lord be with thee.*

*2 Samuel 12:13 And David said unto Nathan, I have sinned against the Lord. And Nathan said unto David, The Lord also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die.*

*John 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.*

QUOTE — A Christian has never finished his education till he stands before the golden throne of God. —Spurgeon

**B. To \_\_\_\_\_ (17b)**

*Psalms 71:17 ...And hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works.*

DEFINITION—DECLARED: to declare (authority); to state emphatically and authoritatively.

*Psalms 72:18 Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, Who only doeth wondrous things.*

NOTE — We enjoy 73 Psalms in the Bible that are specifically attributed to David. (*Psalms 3—9; 11—32; 34—41; 51—65; 68—70; 86; 101; 103; 108—110; 122; 124; 131; 133; and 138—145*)

*2 Timothy 2:2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.*

## 2. A \_\_\_\_\_ Purpose (18)

### A. His \_\_\_\_\_ with God (18b)

*Psalms 71:18 Now also when I am old and grayheaded, O God, forsake me not...*

*Proverbs 16:31 The hoary head is a crown of glory, If it be found in the way of righteousness.*

DEFINITION—FORSAKE: to abandon; to forsake or leave behind, leave alone

*Genesis 21:4–5 And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac being eight days old, as God had commanded him. 5 And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him.*

*Hebrews 11:21 By faith Jacob, when he was a dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshipped, leaning upon the top of his staff.*

*Joshua 14:12 Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the Lord spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were there, and that the cities were great and fenced: if so be the Lord will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the Lord said.*

## B. His \_\_\_\_\_ from God (18b)

*Psalms 71:18 ...Until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, And thy power to every one that is to come.*

NOTE — David longed to see another generation love and serve God.

### A RESPONSIBILITY TO SHOW GOD’S STRENGTH AND POWER

David Cast a Vision for the Temple

*(1 Chronicles 22:5)*

David Created the Plan for the Temple

*(1 Chronicles 28:11)*

David Challenged Solomon to be Courageous

*(1 Chronicles 28:20)*

David Channeled His Resources to Support

*(1 Chronicles 29:3)*

*Deuteronomy 6:2 That thou mightest fear the Lord thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son’s son, all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged.*

## Conclusion



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