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Generational Differences | Embracing Passion, Influence, & Wisdom

Every generation has something powerful to bring to the table. That's what we see in 2 Chronicles 34—one moment in history where God uses a passionate young king, a faithful middle-aged priest, and a wise older prophetess to bring change to an entire country. It wasn't one person or one age group that changed everything—it was the generations showing up *together*. They each brought what they had and that was enough.

This isn't just a story of the past. It's a picture of what is possible when passion, influence, and wisdom come together. Every generation carries something the others need. The result? As Dan Reiland says it, "Diversity + Unity = Strength." This is the beauty of church community, each generation coming together for the glory of God.

Key Scripture | 2 Chronicles 34:33

Josiah removed all the detestable idols from all the territory belonging to the Israelites, and he had all who were present in Israel serve the Lord their God. As long as he lived, they did not fail to follow the Lord, the God of their ancestors.

Related Scriptures

— 2 Chronicles 34:1-33

Icebreakers:

— Q: What's one song or dance move from your generation that you secretly still know (would you want to show us)?

Key Thoughts and Reflections: _____

I. Godly Passion – Younger Generation

Q: Josiah was only 8 when he became king, and 16 when he started seeking God. What does his story show us about how young someone can be and still make a spiritual impact?

Q: How do you think our culture underestimates the younger generation? Where have you seen young people prove that wrong?

Q: Josiah chose a different path than his father and grandfather. Have you ever felt the pressure to become something else because of your family, your past, or your environment?

Q: Passion is contagious. Who is someone whose passion for Jesus has lit something in you?

II. Godly Influence – Middle Generation

Q: Hilkiah wasn't the king, but his influence helped change a nation. Where do you believe God has placed you to carry influence?

Q: Do you struggle to believe your influence matters? What are the subtle ways you're tempted to check out emotionally or spiritually?

Q: Hilkiah helped bridge Josiah's passion with Huldah's wisdom. Who is someone that you could come alongside right now?

III. Godly Wisdom – Older Generation

Q: What is something that God has taught you through your life experience that you wish to tell younger generations?

Q: Spiritual wisdom does not retire. Where in your life have you been tempted to step back, minimize your voice, or assume "someone else" will lead?

Q: Huldah spoke with courage, not just comfort. When has God asked you to say something difficult, not to be harsh – but to be faithful? Did you say it?

Q: Who is a younger person God has placed in your life who needs your encouragement or perspective right now? How can you intentionally create a moment to speak life into them this week?

Get Practical _____

Each generation has a unique role to play—bring your passion, influence, or wisdom boldly to the table. Look for one way this week, or maybe even consider committing to something like serving regularly, to step into your God-given gift by encouraging, serving, or mentoring someone across generations. Check out [Growth Track](#) to learn more about being a Daymaker at 12Stone.