“Bible Verses About Old Age and Gray Hair”

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Even to your old age and gray hairs (Isaiah 46:4) - 123RF Photo - Used under license

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These "Bible Verses About Old Age and Gray Hair" are a companion to the lesson, "Isaiah 46:4 Meaning - Even to Your Old Age" (Ref. 2).

Bible Verses About Old Age

Genesis 24:36 - "My master’s wife Sarah has borne him a son in her old age, and he has given him everything he owns."

Genesis 27:1 - "When Isaac was old and his eyes were so weak that he could

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no longer see, he called for Esau his older son and said to him, 'My son.' 'Here I am,' he answered."

1 Kings 11:4 - "As Solomon grew old, his wives turned his heart after other gods, and his heart was not fully devoted to the Lord his God, as the heart of David his father had been."
Note, although Solomon was fully devoted to the Lord when he was young, and the Lord gave him wisdom (1 Kings 3:7-14), in his older years he "turned his heart after other gods" (1 Kings 11:4).

1 Kings 15:23 - "As for all the other events of Asa's reign, all his achievements, all he did and the cities he built, are they not written in the book of the annals of the kings of Judah? In his old age, however, his feet became diseased."
Note, 2 Chronicles 16:12 tells us, "Though his disease was severe, even in his illness he did not seek help from the Lord, but only from the physicians."

Psalm 37:25 - "I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread."

Psalm 71:9 - "Do not cast me away when I am old; do not forsake me when my strength is gone."

Psalm 71:18 - "Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, my God, till I declare your power to the next generation, your mighty acts to all who are to come."
Note, the Psalmist (author not attributed) gives us who are "older" a good purpose for living — to tell the next generation about God.

Psalm 90:10 - "Our days may come to seventy years, or eighty, if our strength endures; yet the best of them are but trouble and sorrow, for they quickly pass, and we fly away."

Ecclesiastes 12:1, 5 - (1) "Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come and the years approach when you will say, 'I find no pleasure in them —'" (5) "when people are afraid of heights and of dangers in the streets; when the almond tree blossoms and the grasshopper drags itself along and desire no longer is stirred. Then people go to their eternal home and mourners go about the streets."

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1 Timothy 5:3, 9 - (3) "Give proper recognition to those widows who are really in need." (9) "No widow may be put on the list of widows unless she is over sixty, has been faithful to her husband."

Bible Verses About Gray Hair

Leviticus 19:32 NASB 1995 - "You shall rise up before the grayheaded and honor the aged, and you shall revere your God; I am the Lord."

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Proverbs 16:31 - "Gray hair is a crown of splendor; it is attained in the way of righteousness."

Proverbs 20:29 ESV - "The glory of young men is their strength, but the splendor of old men is their gray hair."

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Note, God promises to sustain us (his people who trust in him) through all the years of our lives - even through the years of old age and "gray hairs" or "hoar hairs" (Isaiah 46:4 KJV, Ref. 3).

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