

(For the child shall die an hundred years old)

INTRODUCTION

1. This verse teaches:
 1. For a man with a great weight of years to die just as hopefully and happily as a child lives.
 2. It teaches also that it is possible for a man to have a very old body and a very young heart.
 3. It teaches too, that it is possible to be only thirty or forty years old, and yet be as weary, and sad, and gloomy hearted as if you were tottering down to the grave with a hundred winters on your shoulders.

THE CHRISTIAN CALLS HIMSELF A CHILD OF GOD. What does this mean?

1. He may be old but he is ever learning like a child.
2. Like a child he looks forward to and dreams about a fuller, bigger life.
3. His feet may not have much spring and movement left in them but his heart leaps with joy as he contemplates the good things of heaven itself.

WHAT DETERMINES AGE?

1. It is not the calender and the birthday book that of itself determines your age. What is it then?:
 1. It is the soul within.
 2. It is the eyes through which you behold the vistas of life.
 3. It is the mind that thinks, causing your very being to leap with the emotions that come as your mind dwells upon the good things of this life and the life to come.

THREE THINGS MAKE THE CHILD LIFE BEAUTIFUL. They are:

1. Faith: In God, Mother, Friends, and all men.
2. Hope: Hope of tomorrow. Hope for the years which are coming. Hope of the better things which lie beyond.
3. Love: The joy of loving and the joy of being loved.
 1. These three things are in the life of every good man and woman. They never leave him. They are with him through all life's rough scenes. They are with him on his dying bed. Now abide these three:
FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE.

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