# IN THE DAYS OF THY YOUTH

## Ecc. 12:1

INTRODUCTION: What period of life is the most difficult? Infancy? Childhood? Adolescence? Teens? Young Adulthood? Middle Age? Advanced Age? In this study, let us notice the emphasis that the Bible places on "the days of thy youth."

#### WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

• Ecc. 12	Prosperity of youth verses poverty of old age
• Gen. 8:21	The days of youth is a dangerous time
• 2 Tim. 2:22	An admonition to "flee youthful lusts"
<ul><li>Ps. 25:7</li></ul>	"Remember not the sins of my youth"
• Ecc. 12:1	Youth is the time to "remember our Creator"
<ul> <li>Lam. 3:27</li> </ul>	It is good to bear the yoke in one's youth
• 1 Tim. 4:12	Let no man despise thy youth

### **HOW GOD VALUES PRECIOUS YOUNG PEOPLE**

1. Gen. 37	Joseph	17 yrs	Remained faithful
2.1 Sam. 17	David	20 yrs	Trusted God
3. Ex. 2	Miriam	11 yrs	Mature judgment
4.2 Kgs.5	Maid	10 yrs	Courage to speak
5. Lk. 1,2	Mary	15 yrs	Spiritual person
6. Lk. 2	Jesus	12 yrs	Knew His mission
7. Acts 16	Timothy	17 yrs	Spiritually mature

#### LET US TEACH AND ENCOURAGE OUR YOUTH:

Dt. 6:6,7; Prov. 22:6; Eph. 6:4; Titus 2:1-7