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.. This Generation Of Christ's Prophecies

- A generation commonly refers to all persons who were born about the same time.
- Eventually Joseph died, and also all his brothers and all that **generation**. (**Exodus 1:6**)
- With whom shall I compare this **generation**? It is like young children sitting in the marketplaces who cry out to their playmates. (**Matthew 11:16**)
- Associated with this is the meaning contemporaries.
- This is the history of Noah. Noah was a righteous man. He proved himself faultless among his **contemporaries**. Noah walked with the true God. (**Genesis 6:9**)
- It is stated concerning Noah. He proved himself faultless among his **contemporaries**, literally, **generations**. When used with reference to family relationships, a **generation** can refer to a group of descendants, as sons and daughters or grandsons and granddaughters.
- And Job continued living after this a hundred and forty years and came to see his sons and his grandsons, four **generations**. (**Job 42:16**)
- The term can be used as a measure of time with reference to past or future ages. The **generations** of mankind descended from the sinner Adam have been transitory, as contrasted with the earth, which abides forever.
- A **generation** is going, and a **generation** is coming, but the earth is standing even to time indefinite. (**Ecclesiastes 1:4**)
- He has founded the earth upon its established places, it will not be made to totter to time indefinite, or forever. (**Psalms 104:5**)
- But the expressions unnumbered **generations** and a thousand **generations** refer to that which is to time indefinite.

- Remember his covenant even to time indefinite, the word that he commanded, to a thousand **generations**. (1 Chronicles 16:15)
- For the moth will eat them up just as if a garment, and the clothes moth will eat them up just as if wool. But as for my righteousness, it will prove to be even to time indefinite, and my salvation to unnumbered **generations**. (Isaiah 51:8)
- The command to the Jews that the celebration of the Passover was to be observed throughout your **generations** denoted continual performance to a time then indefinite.
- And this day must serve as a memorial for you, and you must celebrate it as a festival to Yehowah throughout your **generations**. As a statute to time indefinite you should celebrate it. (Exodus 12:14)
- God stated to Moses that Yehowah was his name as a memorial to time indefinite, to **generation** after **generation**, which implies forever.
- Then God said once more to Moses; This is what you are to say to the sons of Israel, Yehowah the God of your forefathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is my name to time indefinite, and this is the memorial of me to **generation** after **generation**. (Exodus 3:15)
- The apostle Paul tells us that God is to be given glory to all **generations** forever and ever.
- To him be the glory by means of the congregation and by means of Christ Jesus to all **generations** forever and ever. Amen. (Ephesians 3:21)
- A **generation** may mean a **class** of persons, that is, those characterized by certain qualities or conditions. The Bible speaks of the **generation** of the righteous one
- There they were filled with a great dread, for Yehowah is among the **generation** of the righteous one. (Psalms 14:5)
- This is the **generation** of those seeking him, of those searching for your face, O God of Jacob. (Psalms 24:6)

- **Mighty in the earth his offspring will become. As for the **generation** of the upright ones, it will be blessed. (Psalms 112:2)**
- **And a **generation** crooked and twisted, a **generation** of perverseness.**
- **They have acted ruinously on their own part. They are not his children, the defect is their own. A **generation** crooked and twisted! (Deuteronomy 32:5)**
- **So he said; Let me conceal my face from them, let me see what their end will be afterward. For they are a **generation** of perverseness, sons in whom there is no faithfulness. (Deuteronomy 32:20)**
- **There is a **generation** that calls down evil even upon its father and that does not bless even its mother. (Proverbs 30:11)**
- **There is a **generation** that is pure in its own eyes but that has not been washed from its own excrement. (Proverbs 30:12)**
- **There is a **generation** whose eyes have become O how lofty! and whose beaming eyes are lifted up. (Proverbs 30:13)**
- **There is a **generation** whose teeth are swords and whose jawbones are slaughtering knives, to eat up the afflicted ones off the earth and the poor ones from among mankind. (Proverbs 30:14)**
- **Jesus Christ, when on earth, spoke similarly of the people of the Jewish nation of that day, and the apostle Paul applied such terms to the world of his day in general, which was alienated from God.**
- **In reply he said to them; A wicked and adulterous **generation** keeps on seeking for a sign, but no sign will be given it except the sign of Jonah the prophet. (Matthew 12:39)**
- **A wicked and adulterous **generation** keeps on seeking for a sign, but no sign will be given it except the sign of Jonah. With that he went away, leaving them behind. (Matthew 16:4)**
- **In reply Jesus said; O faithless and twisted **generation**, how long must I continue with you? How long must I put up with you?**

Bring him here to me. (**Matthew 17:17**)

- For whoever becomes ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful **generation**, the Son of man will also be ashamed of him when he arrives in the glory of his Father with the holy angels. (**Mark 8:38**)
- Keep doing all things free from murmurings and arguments. (**Philippians 2:14**)
- That you may come to be blameless and innocent, children of God without a blemish in among a crooked and twisted **generation**, among whom you are shining as illuminators in the world. (**Philippians 2:15**)
- One **Hebrew** word for **generation** is *dohr*, corresponding to the **Aramaic** *dar*.
- How grand his signs are, and how mighty his wonders are! His kingdom is a kingdom to time indefinite, and his rulership is for **generation** after **generation**. (**Daniel 4:3**)
- And at the end of the days I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted up to the heavens my eyes, and my own understanding began to return to me, and I blessed the Most High himself, and the One living to time indefinite I praised and glorified, because his rulership is a rulership to time indefinite and his kingdom is for **generation** after **generation**. (**Daniel 4:34**)
- **Dohr** comes from a root verb meaning stack in a circle or move around.
- Let there be a taking of the choicest sheep, and also stack the logs in a circle under it. Boil its pieces, also cook its bones in the midst of it. (**Ezekiel 24:5**)
- For a day in your courtyards is better than a thousand elsewhere. I have chosen to stand at the threshold in the house of my God rather than to move around in the tents of wickedness. (**Psalms 84:10**)
- And thus has a basic underlying meaning of circle. The related word *dur* means ball.

- Without fail he will wrap you up tightly, like a ball for a wide land. There you will die, and there the chariots of your glory will be the dishonor of the house of your master. (**Isaiah 22:18**)
- The **Greek** equivalent is *ge-ne-a'*, from a root meaning **be born**.
- Another **Hebrew** word, *toh-le-dhohth'*, is occasionally rendered **generations** or **genealogy**.
- Now these were the **generations** of Aaron and Moses in the day that Yehowah spoke with Moses in Mount Sinai. (**Numbers 3:1**)
- Now these are the **generations** of Perez. Perez became father to Hezron. (**Ruth 4:18**)
- Descendants or families.**
- And his brothers by their families in the **genealogical** enrollment by their descendants were, as the head, Jeiel, and Zechariah. (**1 Chronicles 5:7**)
- And the sons of Tola were Uzzi and Rephaiah and Jeriel and Jahmai and Ibsam and Shemuel, heads of the house of their forefathers. Of Tola there were valiant, mighty men, by their **descendants**. Their number in the days of David was twenty-two thousand six hundred. (**1 Chronicles 7:2**)
- And with them by their **descendants**, according to the house of their forefathers, there were troops of the army for war, thirty-six thousand, for they had many wives and sons. (**1 Chronicles 7:4**)
- And their **genealogical enrollment** by their **descendants** as respects the heads of the house of their forefathers, valiant, mighty men, was twenty thousand two hundred. (**1 Chronicles 7:9**)
- History or origins.**
- This is a **history** of the heavens and the earth in the time of their being created, in the day that Yehowah God made earth and heaven. (**Genesis 2:4**)
- This is the **book** of Adam's history. In the day of God's creating

Adam he made him in the likeness of God. (**Genesis 5:1**)

- This is the **history** of Noah. Noah was a righteous man. He proved himself faultless among his contemporaries. Noah walked with the true God. (**Genesis 6:9**) [AS, AT, KJ, Dy, NW, RS, and other translations]

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- When the term **generation** is used with reference to the people living at a particular time, the exact length of that time cannot be stated, except that the time would fall within reasonable limits.
- These limits would be determined by the life span of the people of that time or of that population. The life span of the ten **generations** from Adam to Noah averaged more than 850 years each.
- So all the days of Adam that he lived amounted to nine hundred and thirty years and he died. (**Genesis 5:5**)
- And Seth lived on for a hundred and five years. Then he became father to Enosh. (**Genesis 5:6**)
- And after his fathering Enosh Seth continued to live eight hundred and seven years. Meanwhile he became father to sons and daughters. (**Genesis 5:7**)
- So all the days of Seth amounted to nine hundred and twelve years and he died. (**Genesis 5:8**)
- And Enosh lived on for ninety years. Then he became father to Kenan. (**Genesis 5:9**)
- And after his fathering Kenan Enosh continued to live eight hundred and fifteen years. Meanwhile he became father to sons and daughters. (**Genesis 5:10**)
- So all the days of Enosh amounted to nine hundred and five years and he died. (**Genesis 5:11**)
- And Kenan lived on for seventy years. Then he became father to Mahalalel. (**Genesis 5:12**)
- And after his fathering Mahalalel Kenan continued to live eight

- hundred and forty years. Meanwhile he became father to sons and daughters. ([Genesis 5:13](#))
- So all the days of Kenan amounted to nine hundred and ten years and he died. ([Genesis 5:14](#))
 - And Mahalalel lived on for sixty-five years. Then he became father to Jared. ([Genesis 5:15](#))
 - And after his fathering Jared Mahalalel continued to live eight hundred and thirty years. Meanwhile he became father to sons and daughters. ([Genesis 5:16](#))
 - So all the days of Mahalalel amounted to eight hundred and ninety-five years and he died. ([Genesis 5:17](#))
 - And Jared lived on for a hundred and sixty-two years. Then he became father to Enoch. ([Genesis 5:18](#))
 - And after his fathering Enoch Jared continued to live eight hundred years. Meanwhile he became father to sons and daughters. ([Genesis 5:19](#))
 - So all the days of Jared amounted to nine hundred and sixty-two years and he died. ([Genesis 5:20](#))
 - And Enoch lived on for sixty-five years. Then he became father to Methuselah. ([Genesis 5:21](#))
 - And after his fathering Methuselah Enoch went on walking with the true God three hundred years. Meanwhile he became father to sons and daughters. ([Genesis 5:22](#))
 - So all the days of Enoch amounted to three hundred and sixty-five years. ([Genesis 5:23](#))
 - And Enoch kept walking with the true God. Then he was no more, for God took him. ([Genesis 5:24](#))
 - And Methuselah lived on for a hundred and eighty-seven years. Then he became father to Lamech. ([Genesis 5:25](#))
 - And after his fathering Lamech Methuselah continued to live seven hundred and eighty-two years. Meanwhile he became

- father to sons and daughters. ([Genesis 5:26](#))
- So all the days of Methuselah amounted to nine hundred and sixty-nine years and he died. ([Genesis 5:27](#))
 - And Lamech lived on for a hundred and eighty-two years. Then he became father to a son. ([Genesis 5:28](#))
 - And he proceeded to call his name Noah, saying; This one will bring us comfort from our work and from the pain of our hands resulting from the ground which Yehowah has cursed. ([Genesis 5:29](#))
 - And after his fathering Noah Lamech continued to live five hundred and ninety-five years. Meanwhile he became father to sons and daughters. ([Genesis 5:30](#))
 - So all the days of Lamech amounted to seven hundred and seventy-seven years and he died. ([Genesis 5:31](#))
 - So all the days of Noah amounted to nine hundred and fifty years and he died. ([Genesis 9:29](#))
 - But after Noah, man's life span dropped off sharply. Abraham, for example, lived only 175 years.
 - And these are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, a hundred and seventy-five years. ([Genesis 25:7](#))
 - Today, much as it was in the time of Moses, people living under favorable conditions may reach 70 or 80 years of age. Moses wrote:
 - In themselves the days of our years are seventy years, and if because of special mightiness they are eighty years, yet their insistence is on trouble and hurtful things, for it must quickly pass by, and away we fly. ([Psalms 90:10](#))
 - Some few may live longer, but Moses stated the general rule. Moses himself, who lived 120 years, was an exception, as were his brother Aaron (123 years), Joshua (110 years), and some others whose strength and vitality were unusual.
 - And Moses was a hundred and twenty years old at his death. His eye had not grown dim, and his vital strength had not fled.

(Deuteronomy 34:7)

- And Aaron was a hundred and twenty-three years old at his death on Mount Hor. (**Numbers 33:39**)
- And it came about that after these things Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Yehowah, gradually died at the age of a hundred and ten years. (**Joshua 24:29**)

.. This Generation Of Christ's Prophecies

- When Bible prophecy speaks of this **generation**, it is necessary to consider the context to determine what **generation** is meant. Jesus Christ, when denouncing the Jewish religious leaders, concluded by saying,
- Truly I say to you, all these things will come upon this **generation**. (**Matthew 23:36**)
- History recounts that about 37 years later in **70 C.E.**, that contemporary **generation** personally experienced the destruction of Jerusalem, as foretold.
- Later that same day, Jesus again used practically the same words, saying;
- Truly I say to you that this **generation** will by no means pass away until all these things occur. (**Matthew 24:34**)
- In this instance, Jesus was answering a question regarding the desolation of Jerusalem and its temple as well as regarding the sign of his presence and of the conclusion of the system of things.
- Before his reference to this **generation**, however, he had focused his remarks specifically on his coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory and the nearness of the Kingdom of God. Immediately afterward, he continued with references to his presence.
- And then the sign of the Son of man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will beat themselves in lamentation, and they will see the Son of man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. (**Matthew 24:30**)
- For just as the days of Noah were, so the presence of the Son of

man will be. (**Matthew 24:37**)

- And they took no note until the flood came and swept them all away, so the presence of the Son of man will be. (**Matthew 24:39**)
- And then they will see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. (**Luke 21:27**)
- In this way you also, when you see these things occurring, know that the kingdom of God is near. (**Luke 21:31**)
- Jesus was using the word **generation** with reference to human's whose lives would in some way be associated with the foretold events. (**Matthew Chapter 24**)
- The people of this **20th-Century generation** living since **1914 C.E.** have experienced these many terrifying events concurrently and in concentrated measure international wars, great earthquakes, terrible pestilences, widespread famine, persecution of Christians, and other conditions that Jesus outlined in (**Matthew Chapter 24**)(**Mark Chapter 13**)(**Luke Chapter 21**)