God in the Midst of Aging

Isaiah 46:3–4

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<u>NOTES</u>

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Isa. 46:3–4; Jn. 21:18–19; 2 Cor. 4:16–18 Suggested Questions for Individual Study or Group Discussion*



- If someone declared to you, "May you live to be 120!" would you receive that as a blessing or a curse? Why?
- *Read Isaiah 46:3–4.* What promises does the LORD God make through the prophet? What will the fulfillment of these promises look like for individuals, families, and the community?
- How do you feel about aging? What do you look forward to and what do you fear? How do God's past actions instill confidence for God's future faithfulness to you?
- *Read John 21:18–19*. What is Jesus' message specifically for Peter? How do Jesus' words more broadly encapsulate the experiences of aging?
- If you are an older person, what are some limitations aging has placed upon you? How can all of us, regardless of life stage, show compassion to those experiencing losses due to aging?
- How can the loss of control over our lives due to the effects of aging lead to a deepening of our trust in God? How can one still glorify God in this season?
- *Read 2 Corinthians 4:16–18.* What is the contrast between what's happening outwardly and inwardly in our lives, including when we age? What is God's Spirit doing in us? How do we participate in that?
- What do you find most challenging about embracing God in the midst of aging? How can your small group or others support and pray for you as you do so?

