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I. Who is blessed in old age?

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Isaiah 45:24–25 “Only in the L ORD, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength; to him shall come and be ashamed all who were incensed against him. 25 In the L ORD all the offspring of Israel shall be justified and shall glory.”

Isaiah 53:11 Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

Jeremiah 23:5–6 “Behold, the days are coming, declares the L ORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. 6 In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The L ORD is our righteousness.’”

Psalm 106:3 Blessed are they who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times!

Psalm 15:1–3 O L ORD, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill? 2 He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart; 3 who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend;
Psalm 119:45–47 and I shall walk in a wide place, for I have sought your precepts.  
I will also speak of your testimonies before kings and shall not be put to shame,  
for I find my delight in your commandments, which I love.

II. Where is a blessed old age?

Psalm 92:12–15  The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.  
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to declare that the LORD is upright; he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

Psalm 27:4 One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:  
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,  
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.

Psalm 23:6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and  
I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Psalm 65:4 Blessed is the one you choose and bring near,  
to dwell in your courts! We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, the holiness of your temple!

Psalm 84:4–7 Blessed are those who dwell in your house,  
ever singing your praise! Selah  
Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.  
As they go through the Valley of Baca they make it a place of springs;  
the early rain also covers it with pools.  
They go from strength to strength; each one appears before God in Zion.

Psalm 73:16–22 But when I thought how to understand this, it seemed to me a wearisome task,  
until I went into the sanctuary of God;  
than I discerned their end.  
For behold, those who are far from you shall perish; you put an end to everyone who is unfaithful to you.  
But for me it is good to be near God; I have made the Lord GOD my refuge, that I may tell of all your works.

Luke 2:36–37 And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher.  
She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin,  
and then as a widow until she was eighty-four.  
She did not depart from the temple,  
worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day.

III. Why a blessed old age?

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Psalm 78:3–7  things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us.  
We will not hide them from their children,  
but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.  
He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers to teach to their children,  
that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children,  
so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments;

Psalm 37:25 I have been young, and now am old, yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken or his children begging for bread.