



THE NEXT GENERATION IS RISING UP

In this lesson you will learn about the next generation rising up to take their place and stepping into God's call. The time is now for the next generation, and your time is now to impart into the next generation, with both groups coming together to fulfill God's plan on the earth.

I. The gospel is for every generation.

A. Matthew 24:14 – “And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.”

II. This is a prophetic word for reaching the next generation – Ezekiel 37:1-14.

A. Verses 1-3 - Ezekiel saw a valley full of dry bones, and God spoke to him to prophesy to these bones.

1. To prophesy is different than praying. “Prophecy” is a declaration of God's will, purpose, and word.

B. Verses 4-10 – “O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord!... ‘Surely I will cause breath to enter into you, and you shall live’ ... So I prophesied as He commanded me, and breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great army” – vv.4-5, 10.

C. Verses 11-14 – “‘I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken it and performed it,’ says the Lord” – v. 14.

III. The need for spiritual mentors.

A. Statistics show that this generation has turned from God, experienced more abuse, brokenness, rejection, and abandonment than any other generation; experienced the highest number of divorces; and experienced more pornography, violence, and criminal acts from television and the internet.

B. It is time for spiritual mentors to rise up and minister to the next generation.

C. Malachi 4:5-6 – “And he will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers” - v. 6.

IV. Biblical examples of the next generation rising up.

A. Moses turned the leadership over to Joshua.

B. Daniel was enslaved in an ungodly foreign land, but he took a stand for God.

C. Esther was used by God to save her people from an evil plot to destroy them.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Share how you have prophesied over a situation and seen change.

Share what you are prophesying over the under thirty generation.

Are you in a mentoring relationship with someone from this generation?

BE A DOER OF THE WORD

Make a decision to begin to prophesy to this next generation what God says about them, not the statistics of man. Open your eyes and heart to the younger generation and begin to mentor them.

SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE

Ezekiel 37:4-5 – “O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord!... Surely I will cause breath to enter into you, and you shall live.”