

NEVER TOO OLD

-Ryan Parsons-

Genesis 12

1 Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. 2 And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." 4 So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

I'm always amazed at the age of people in the Bible. It is interesting that this information is even shared with us at all. Between celebrating a birthday and reading Genesis chapter 12, it hit me that there is a hidden jewel in the Bible. While we separate life into different categories like age, God doesn't seem to look at things the way we do. When Abram should have been enjoying retirement and settling down, instead, he was answering the call of God. He was 75 years old. The argument can be made, "they lived longer back then!" But that wasn't a guarantee. In fact, life expectancy was trending downward. Truth is, there is no cap in age when it comes to responding to God and being obedient to his instructions. There is no retirement from that task.

So, as I cross the threshold of what is likely past mid-aged, there is a clear reminder from Scripture: You are never too old to be obedient. You are never too old to be faithful. You are never too old to act when God's call comes!

Are you ready? Our task is to simply listen and act, no matter our age.

Looking forward,
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