



Generation Y & Z:

Perceived by older generations to be:

- Lazy/slacker
- Instant gratification, trophies for showing up
- Narcissistic
- Disloyal
- Spoilt and pampered
- Lack of respect for hierarchy and authority
- Entitled





Scripture: Ephesians 4:1-6 (ESV)

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ² with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³ eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.



Scripture: Ephesians 4:13-16 (ESV)

13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, 14 so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. 15 Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, 16 from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.



Scripture: 1 Timothy 4:12 (ESV)

Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity.

Are there things that the younger generations can teach us?





Generational Focus:

The XYZ of Discipleship – Pages 40 & 41.

The Focus is different.



"...those of us seeking to disciple them need to be willing to allow for our own perceptions, expectations and even prejudices to be challenged and amended in response".

The XYZ of Discipleship



MOBILISING KINGDOM LIVING

The Pursuit of Truth:

Post Truth: - relating to or denoting circumstances in which objective facts are less influential in shaping public opinion than appeals to emotion and personal belief.

Is this the same in The Church?





Time and Understanding:

"We need first to understand what they value and believe in. Then we may help them to align their values with the values of the kingdom of God." – The XYZ of Discipleship

"Young adults delight in finding people who believe in them... They will actively seek out the wisdom and friendships of older generations. This is very different from Generation X who were rather anaemic or cynical towards their elders..."

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Let's Turn the Tables:

- Have a humble attitude towards your elders, understand they have much to teach you.
- Respect your elders and understand the world you have today is because of what the previous generations fought for and created.
- Honour the boundaries our parents and elders set.
- If they are willing to invest in you, you need to be open and serve them.

1 Timothy 5:1-12 - Do not rebuke an older man but encourage him as you would a father, younger men as brothers, ² older women as mothers, younger women as sisters, in all purity.



