

## “Do Wrinkles Hurt?”

Proverbs 9:10-11 & Psalm 37:25

### INTRODUCTION:

*Grandma . . . do wrinkles hurt?*

### I. MANY OF US HANDLE OUR AGING BY DENYING IT

- A. We tell ourselves we are not getting older
  - 1. My recent doctor’s appointment
  - 2. We do everything we can to hide it . . .
- B. Some live in a make believe world where no one ages . . . or everyone does but me
  - 1. *The 50th high school reunion*
  - 2. *Living in “Neverland” with Peter Pan*
- C. God’s Word is realistic (Psalm 37:25)
  - 1. Young folks: “You ain’t seen nuthin’ yet!”
  - 2. *Robert Browning’s poem: “Grow Old Along with Me!”*

### II. OUR MODERN WAY OF LIFE OFTEN DEVALUES OLDER PEOPLE

- A. Many modern assumptions are anti-Christian
  - 1. *The Broadway play: “Cats”*
  - 2. *Rutgers University TV study*



- B. But . . . what does God’s Word say?

(Proverbs 9:10-11 & Psalm 71:17-18)

- C. Let’s look at the Gospel-filled promises from the classic hymn –  
*Rock of Ages*

### III. WRINKLES DO NOT HURT, THEY ARE A GIFT OF GOD & A LOVING REMINDER

- A. They are a gift of God, a badge of honour, a sign of mercy
- B. They tell us that this life is not our final home

CONCLUSION: *The hilarious 100 year old birthday girl* 😊