

Once More

You will...comfort me once more.

Psalm 71:21 (NIV)

Being a grandparent is a wonderful time of life. When one or another of my children call and ask us to babysit their young child(ren) it is a happy occasion for us. I love being with the little ones and engaging them in play as well as in talking to them about the Lord.

One of the most common expressions I hear when playing with one of my younger grandchildren is, "Once more Grandpa, once more."

That comment comes just after I have concluded some play activity and my grandchild wants a repeat of what we have done. Maybe we finished a game of cops and robbers, or I just completed reading a favourite book of theirs. Whatever it was, they want a repeat of the activity.

I am happy to know I was successful in entertaining them and my tired old body wants to respond

with a "Yes!" to their request. But eventually I have to say that Grandpa is tired and needs to rest a while.

All of us have limits to what we can do in a day or even in a lifetime. We wear out and no longer are able to do what we once did.

The Psalmist speaks of the coming time when his strength forsakes him and he will have to lean on the Lord more than ever. But, did you ever ask about the aging process with the Lord? Does God grow old and weary of life?

It is clear from the teaching of Scripture that time does not measure God the way it measures us. He is not subject to time--and growing old and tired--as we are. Psalm 90:2 (NIV) reads, "Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God."

God's love is forever upon

His people. Psalm 103:17 (NIV) "But from everlasting to everlasting the Lord's love is with those who fear him..."

Isaiah 54:8 (NIV) "...with everlasting kindness I will have compassion on you," says the Lord your Redeemer. Believers will never lose favour with their Creator.

If comfort is again needed by you as a child of God then come to the Lord today and say, "Once more Father." His mercies, His love, His compassion is forever on those who love Him. Come in hope, come in faith, and you will not be disappointed.

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