

## IF I WANT TO BE A NOW AND FOREVER GRANDPARENT, I WILL...

1. THAT INFLUENCE MY GRANDCHILDREN.

Now as I grow old and my hair turns gray, I ask that You not abandon me, O God. Allow me to share with the generation to come about Your power; Let me speak about Your strength and wonders to all those yet to be born.

Growing old is not God's curse—it's His blessing, a gift that allows us to invest deeply in those who follow. Chuck Swindoll

But the godly will flourish like palm trees and grow strong like the cedars of Lebanon. <sup>14</sup> Even in old age they will still produce fruit; they will remain vital and green. **Psalm 92:12, 14** NLT

## 2. THAT MY INFLUENCE CAN BE

What do you mean by ·using [quoting; repeating] this ·saying [proverb] about the land of Israel: 'The ·parents [fathers] have eaten sour grapes, and ·that caused the children to grind their teeth from the sour taste [<sup>T</sup> the children's teeth are set on edge; <sup>C</sup> the children suffer for their parents' sins]'? Ezekiel 18:2

Our fathers sinned and got us into this. Now they've passed on, and we suffer for it and bear their deeds. Lamentations 5:7 VOICE

3.	IN A WAY THAT LETS MY INFLUENCE TO BE

My behavior is seen in the way I \_\_\_\_\_ and the way I \_\_\_\_\_.

So watch what you do! Be careful with your very life! Don't forget the things you saw with your own eyes, and don't let them fade from your memory. Remember them your whole life; teach them to your children and your grandchildren. **Deuteronomy 4:9** VOICE

Be a Grandparent who \_\_\_\_\_\_ faithfulness to God.

Be a Grandparent who \_\_\_\_\_ God's faithfulness.

Be a Grandparent whose \_\_\_\_\_\_ is God's word.

<u>One generation after another</u> will celebrate Your great works; they will pass on the story of Your powerful acts to their children.

Psalm 145:4 VOICE

"Our life is a message to the next generation, make sure it's one worth passing on." Charles Stanley

## 4. \_\_\_\_ TO THE ONE WHO CAN SAVE \_\_AND \_\_\_\_.

I am reminded of your sincere faith, which <u>first lived</u> in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also. **2 Timothy 1:5** NIV

Live in me, and I will live in you. A branch cannot produce any fruit by itself. It has to stay attached to the vine. In the same way, you cannot produce fruit unless you live in me. <sup>5</sup> "I am the vine. You are the branches. Those who live in me while I live in them will produce a lot of fruit. But you can't produce anything without me. **John 15:4, 5** GW

For the Lord's faithful love is from forever ago to forever from now for those who honor him. And God's righteousness reaches to the grandchildren. **Psalm 103:17** CEB

Additional Notes:	Reflecting on todays message
	What touched my heart?
	What is God asking me to do?
	What should I change this week?
	Who else needs to hear this message?