

genea

G1074. **genea**, ghen-eh-ah'; from (a presumed der. of) G1085; **a generation**; by impl. **an age** (the **period or the persons**):--age, **generation**, nation, time.

42x in 37 verses

(Mat 1:17) "So all the **generations** from Abraham to David *are fourteen generations*; and from David until the carrying away into Babylon *are fourteen generations*; and from the carrying away into Babylon unto Christ *are fourteen generations*."

NOTE: If the dispies are right in saying that *genea* means *race* then is Matthew here saying that there were 14 *races* (of descendants) between Abraham and David, David and the Babylonian Captivity, or the Babylonian Captivity and the coming of Christ!?

(Mat 11:16) "But whereunto shall I liken **this generation**? It is like unto children sitting in the markets, and calling unto their fellows,"

(Mat 12:39) "But he answered and said unto them, **An evil and adulterous generation** seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:"

NOTE: Which "evil and adulterous generation" received the sign of the prophet Jonah? Was it not Christ's own generation (cf Matt 12:40)?

(Mat 12:41-42) "The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with **this generation**, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas *is* here. {42} The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with **this generation**, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon *is* here."

NOTE: Contrary to what the hyper-preterists say, the phrase here "this generation" is not saying that the men of Ninevah or the Queen of the South rose in judgment in AD 70. Rather the context is The Resurrection and that "this generation" will suffer greater punishment at The Judgment because "a Greater than Jonah" or "Solomon is here." Where is here? The generation to whom Christ came and spoke and warned!

(Mat 12:45) "Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto **this wicked generation**."

NOTE: Again, if the dispies are right then they are applying an continually "wicked" state of being to the nation of Israel and the implication would be that they could never be saved (Psa 7:11, 9:17, 10:4, 68:2; Isa 57:21) which we know is not the case (Rom 11:1ff) for Christ Himself being of that *race* would be excluded!

(Mat 16:4) "A wicked and adulterous **generation** seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed."

(Mat 17:17) "Then Jesus answered and said, O faithless and perverse **generation**, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me."

(Mat 23:36) "Verily I say unto you, ALL THESE THINGS shall come upon **this generation**."

(Mat 24:34) "Verily I say unto you, **This generation shall not pass, till** ALL THESE THINGS be FULL-FILLED."

NOTE: The dispies would make this prophecy nonsensical as well. It would be akin to saying "this race will not pass away." . . . (Which BTW is exactly their argument!) This race of people? Well, duh, there's only one *race* of people - the human race (Acts 17:26)! Any other view, which divides ethnic groups into "races" and puts one above another based solely on that criteria, is race-ism.

(Mark 8:12) "And he sighed deeply in his spirit, and saith, **Why doth this generation** seek after a sign? verily I say unto you, There shall no sign be given unto **this generation**."

(Mark 8:38) "Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in **this** adulterous and sinful **generation**; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

NOTE: See argument at [Matt 12:45](#).

(Mark 9:19) "He answereth him, and saith, O faithless **generation**, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him unto me."

(Mark 13:30) "Verily I say unto you, that **this generation shall not pass, till** ALL THESE THINGS be DONE."

(Luke 1:48) "For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden: for, behold, from henceforth all **generations** shall call me blessed."

(Luke 1:50) "And his mercy *is* on them that fear him from **generation to generation.**"

(Luke 7:31) "And the Lord said, *Whereunto then shall I liken the men of **this generation**?* and to what are they like?"

(Luke 9:41) "And Jesus answering said, *O faithless and perverse **generation**, how long shall I be WITH you, and suffer you? Bring thy son hither.*"

NOTE: Again, Jesus' words would be nonsensical if *genea* carried the idea of *race* and it would be pitting Scripture against Scripture (Jer 13:23).

(Luke 11:29-32) "And when the people were gathered thick together, he began to say, **This is an evil generation: they seek a sign; and there shall no sign be given it, but the sign of Jonah the prophet.** {30} For as Jonah was a sign unto the Ninevites, so shall also the Son of man be to **this generation.** {31} The queen of the south shall rise up in The Judgment with the men of **this generation**, and condemn them: for she came from the utmost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a Greater than Solomon *is* here. {32} The men of Nineveh shall rise up in The Judgment with **this generation**, and shall condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and, behold, a greater than Jonah *is* here."

(Luke 11:50-51) "That the blood of all the prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the world, may be required of **this generation**; {51} From the blood of Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, which perished between the altar and the temple: verily I say unto you, It shall be required of **this generation.**"

(Luke 16:8) "And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their **generation** wiser than the children of light."

(Luke 17:25) "But first must he suffer many things, and be rejected of **this generation.**"

(Luke 21:32) "Verily I say unto you, **This generation** shall not pass away, **till** all be fulfilled."

(Acts 2:40) "And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from **this** untoward **generation.**"

(Acts 8:33) "In His humiliation His judgment was taken away: and who shall declare His **generation**? for His life is taken from the earth."

NOTE: This verse is saying in effect, who will be Jesus' descendants because His ability to procreate was taken from Him when He was murdered.

(Acts 13:36) "For David, after he had served his own **generation** by the Will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption:"

(Acts 14:16) "Who in **times** [*or generations*] past suffered all nations[*ethnos*] to walk in their own ways."

(Acts 15:21) "For Moses of old **time** hath in every city them that preach him, being read in the synagogues every sabbath day."

(Eph 3:5) "Which in other **ages** [*or generations*] was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is **now** revealed unto His holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;"

(Eph 3:21) "Unto him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all **ages** [*or generations*], world[*aion*] **without end.** Amen."

(Phil 2:15) "That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse **nation** [*or generation*], among whom ye shine as lights in the world;"

SIDE-SNIDE: You mean we Christians, as "the sons of God," shine "as [the stars of heaven]"!?

(Col 1:26) "*Even* The Mystery which hath been hid from **ages** and from **generations**, but **now** is made manifest to his saints:"

(Heb 3:10) "Wherefore I was grieved with **that generation**, and said, They do **alway** err in *their* heart; and they have not known My Ways. {11} So I swear in My Wrath, They shall not enter into My Rest.)" (Cp. [Matt 12:45](#))

I would also like to point out something rather obvious. I am a **genealogist** which means not that I study the *races*, but rather that I am engaged in the study of the *generations* - particularly as they bare upon my ancestry. BTW, with the union of my generations to those of my spouse in marriage, the ancestry of our children are now much more diverse having many *nationalities* in their background...