

# Gen Z Men's Renewed Interest in Christianity

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## As we begin

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- ✓ Pro/con of seeing people through a generational lens
- ✓ What causes generational differences? Two prevailing theories...

## Who is Gen Z? (Born 1995-2012)

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- ✓ Gen Z Snapshots
- ✓ The World Gen Z Grew Up In
- ✓ Gen Z Traits
- ✓ Reflect/Discuss

## What is happening?

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- ✓ Gen Z men's renewed interest in Christianity: Yes, but...
- ✓ Why is this happening?
- ✓ Reflect/Discuss

## Now what?

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- ✓ Recognize the treasure we have and offer
- ✓ One person's encouragements

## Characteristics of Gen Z\*

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Source: White, James Emery. 2017. Meet Generation Z: Understanding and Reaching the New Post-Christian World. Baker Books.

- 1) Recession (2008) Marked
- 2) Wifi Enabled
- 3) Multiracial
- 4) Sexually Fluid
- 5) Post-Christian

## Traits of Generation Z\*

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Source: Twenge, Jean M. 2023. Generations: The Real Differences Between Gen Z, Millennials, Gen X, Boomers, and Silents—and What They Mean for America's Future. Simon and Schuster.

- 1) Gender Fluidity
- 2) More Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual People
- 3) Less Sexually Active
- 4) Growing Up Slowly
- 5) Delayed Adulthood – Postponing both Marriage and Children
- 6) Restricting Speech
- 7) Interest in Physical and Emotional Safety
- 8) Racial Consciousness
- 9) Dissatisfied and Depressed
- 10) More Online Communication
- 11) Less Likely to Be Physically Healthy
- 12) Pessimism
- 13) Perceiving Discrimination and Having an External Locus of Control
- 14) Political Polarization
- 15) Political Activism and Increased Voter Turnout
- 16) Liberal Unhappiness and Depression
- 17) Shaped by the Pandemic

\*The numbers don't indicate ranking but are shared in the order the sources present them.