

Medical and Biblical Reflections

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The Potential of Ageing God's perspective

They still bring forth fruit in old age.

They are ever full of sap and green

(Psalm 92:14)

Is not wisdom found among the aged?

Does not long life bring understanding?

(Job 12: 12)

Grey hair is a crown of splendour;

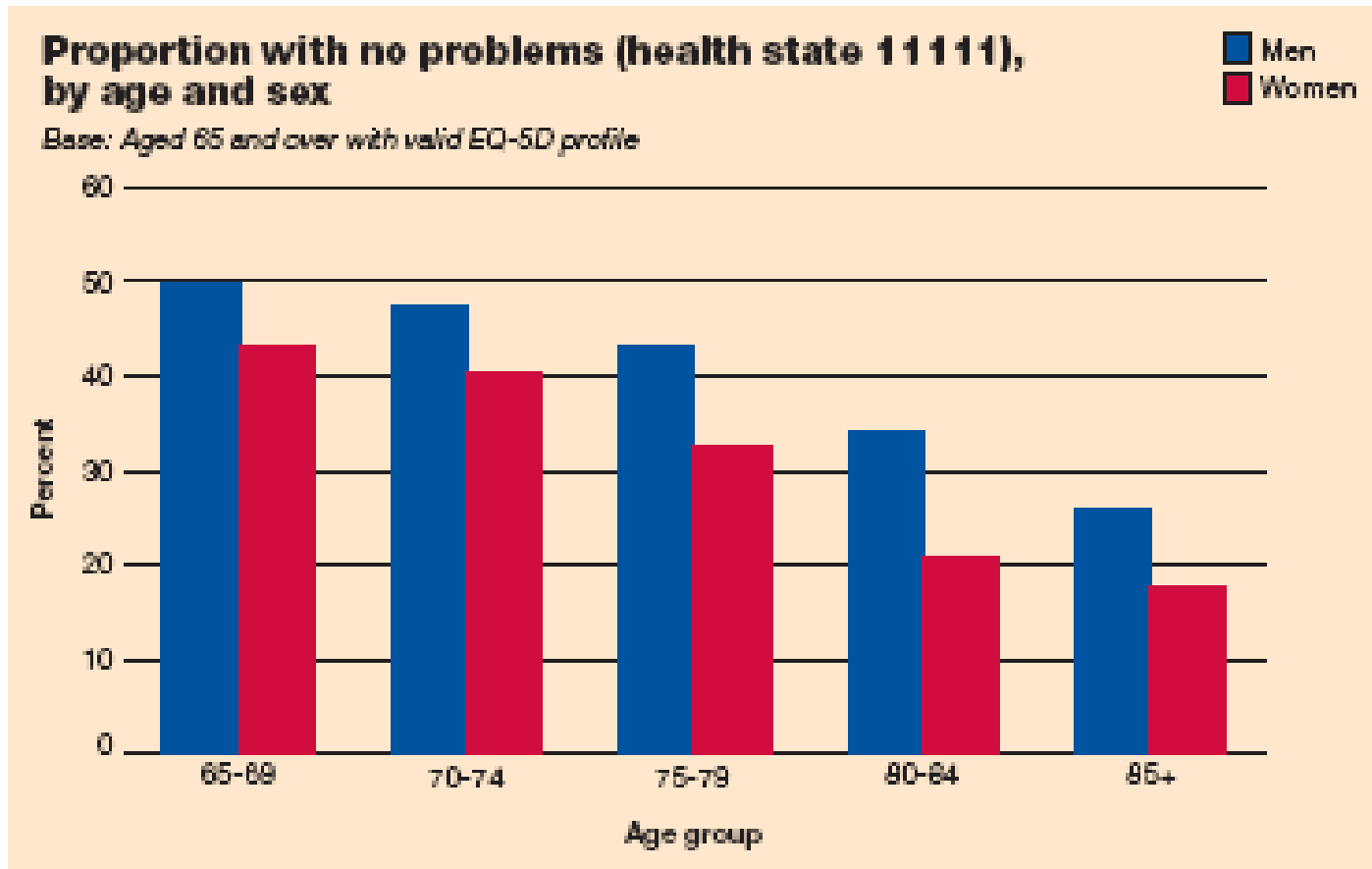
It is attained by a righteous life.

(Proverbs 16:31)

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- 50% of 60-75 year olds have no significant disability or incapacity
- 25% of women over 85 claim to have no health problems

God's Perspective **HEALTH ISSUES**



<http://www.ic.nhs.uk/webfiles/publications/hseolder/HSESummary.pdf>

God's Perspective

Potential

- Contentment – less driven, letting go
- Fruitful – culmination of life
- Self aware – integrated, accepting
- Wise - experienced, skilled, mature
- Respected – valued, some cultures
- Available – time for others, time for God,
time for self

God's Perspective Vocabulary

- Wise
- Venerable
- Golden age
- Ageing well
- Respected
- Esteemed



God's Perspective Image

