

**GENEAOLOGIES  
&  
GENERATIONS:  
*UNDERSTANDING  
GOD'S PEOPLE*  
RUTH 1:1-17**

**“YOUR  
GOD IS  
MY GOD”**

“Now it came to pass, in the *days when the judges* ruled, that there was a famine in the land.

And a certain man of Bethlehem, Judah, went to dwell in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons.”

**Ruth 1:1**

“The name of the man was *Elimelech*, the name of his wife was *Naomi*, and the names of his two sons were *Mahlon* and *Chilion*—Ephrathites of Bethlehem, Judah.

And they went to the country of Moab and remained there.”

**Ruth 1:2**

“Then *Elimelech*, Naomi’s husband, died; and she was left, and her two sons.”

***Now they took wives  
of the women of Moab:***

the name of the one was *Orpah*, and the name of the other *Ruth*.”

**Ruth 1:3-4a**

“And they dwelt there about ten years.

Then both *Mahlon* and *Chilion* also died; so the woman survived her two sons and her husband.”

**Ruth 1:4b-5**

“And Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, ‘**Go, return each to her mother’s house.**

THE LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. THE LORD grant that you may find rest, each in the house of her husband.”

**Ruth 1:8-9b**

“So she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept.

And they said to her,

‘**Surely we will return with you to your people.**’ ”

**Ruth 1:9b-10**

“But Naomi said, ‘**Turn back,** my daughters; why will you go with me? *Are there still sons in my womb, that they may be your husbands?*

**Turn back,** my daughters, go—for I am too old to have a husband.’ ”

**Ruth 1:11-12a**

“Would you restrain yourselves from having husbands?

No, my daughters; for it grieves me very much for your sakes that the hand of the Lord has gone out against me!’ ”

**Ruth 1:13b**

“Then they lifted up their voices and wept again; and **Orpah** kissed her mother-in-law, but **Ruth** clung to her.

And she said, ‘Look, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law. But **Ruth** said:’

**Ruth 1:14-16a**

“Entreat me not to leave you, *Or to turn back from following after you;*

For wherever you go, I will go; And wherever you lodge, I will lodge;

**Your people shall be my people, And your GOD, my GOD...**

**Ruth 1:16b**

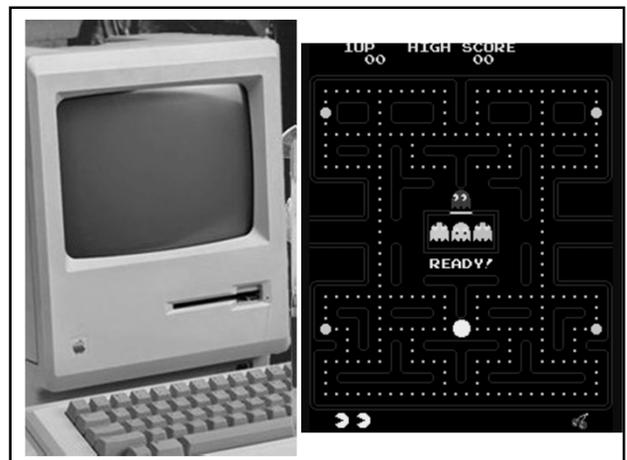
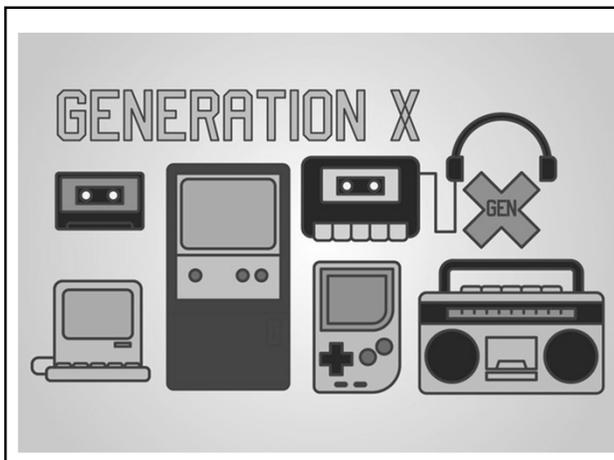
“Where you die, I will die,  
And there will I be buried.

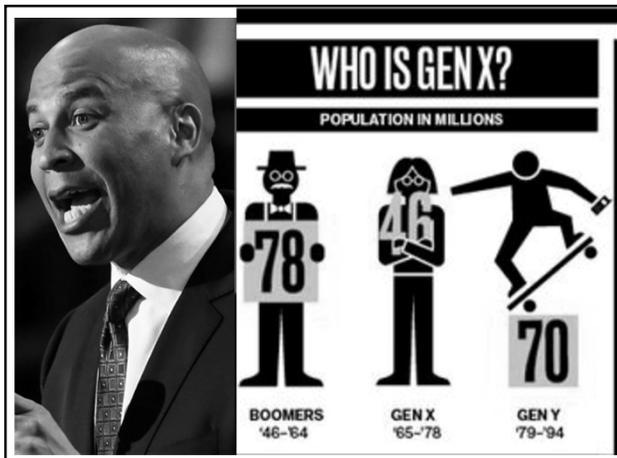
THE LORD do so to me,  
and more also,  
If *anything but* death parts  
you and me.”

**Ruth 1:17**



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GADGETS

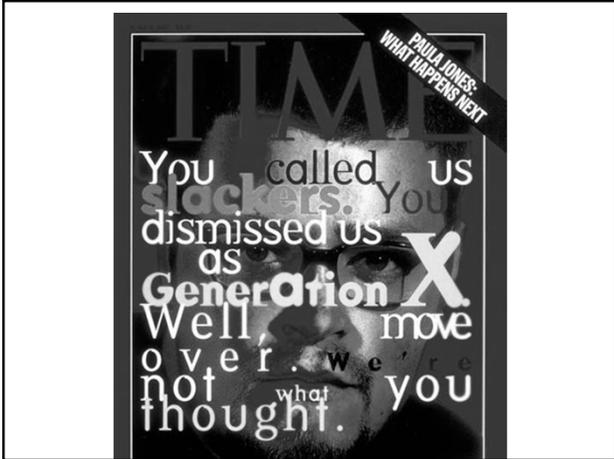




# POPULAR CULTURE



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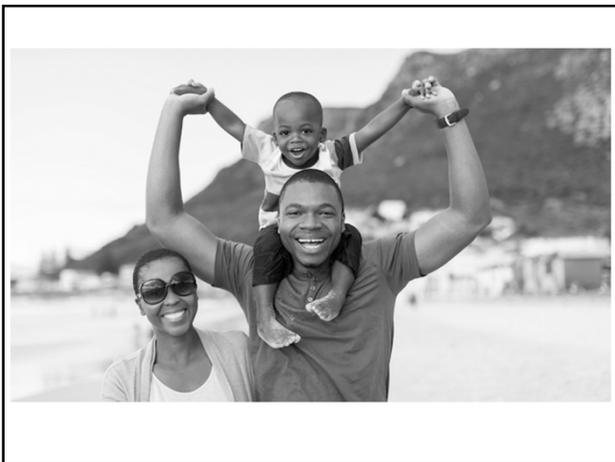
# MONEY FINANCES

Generation Xers are burdened by **greater debt loads** than baby boomers.

This is hindering their ability to save for future needs like retirement.

<b>60% MORE</b> MORTGAGE DEBT	<b>140% MORE</b> STUDENT LOAN DEBT	<b>33% MORE</b> CREDIT CARD DEBT
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# FAMILY STRUCTURE



**WHY IS GEN X SO SAD?**

**40% OF GEN XERS HAVE DIVORCED PARENTS**

**"I THINK THE EXPERIENCE OF GROWING UP AND BEING SO SELF-RELIANT HAS SHAPED HOW I VIEW THE WORK WORLD"**

**10 million Gen X schoolchildren aged 6 through 13 lived without adult supervision for several hours a day**

# RACIAL DIVERSITY




**Gen Xers are...**

Distrustful of institutions, especially the government.

Fiscal conservatives, social liberals.

More comfortable than their elders with America's growing racial diversity.

Few characteristics of generation x:

- Better educated than baby boomers
- came of age in an era of two-income families
- Rising divorce rates
- Women were joining the workforce in large numbers
- Independent, resourceful and self-sufficient
- Many in this generation display a casual disdain for authority and structured work hours
- The first generation to grow up with computers, technology is woven into their lives
- Generation X is ambitious and eager to learn new skills but want to accomplish things on their own terms.
- members of Generation X work to live rather than live to work.

By Sally Kane, About.com.Guide  
<http://legalcareers.about.com/od/practicetips/a/GenerationX.htm>



**STUCK IN THE MIDDLE:  
 MARKETING TO GEN X**

**X**

“A generation that can sneakily trump boomer narcissism and millennial entitlement.”

*Jeff Gordiner, "X Saves the World: How Generation X Got the Shaft but Can Still Keep Everything from Sucking"*

1964(6) = 1970

1965(6) = 1971

1966(6) = 1972

1967(6) = 1973

1968(6) = 1974

#1-Different Race,  
Culture, & Religion;  
#2-Dealing with  
Integration & Segregation;  
#3-Gap between  
Generations;”  
**Ruth 4:22**