

Ecclesiastes 7:10

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ESV	Say not, “Why were the former days better than these?” For it is not from wisdom that you ask this.
NIV	Do not say, “Why were the old days better than these?” For it is not wise to ask such questions.
NLT	Don't long for “the good old days.” This is not wise.

LXX	μή ἔπης τί ἐγένετο ὅτι αἱ plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigὁ, ἡ, τό
	greek
	Meaning:
	* The
	The definite article.
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	greek
	εἰμί is the first person singular verb for “to be” (εἶναι [the infinitive form] = “to be”).
	It an irregular verb, and, like English, changes significantly between person and tense. For example εἰμί is the word for am and ἦν is the word for was, e.g. ἀγαθαὶ ὑπὲρ ταύτας plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigοὗτος / αὕτη / τοῦτο
	greek
	Meaning:
	* These or this * This one, this person, this thing * They or he or she or it
	Demonstrative pronoun.
	οὗτος usually refers to something close to the speaker — “this” as opposed to ἐκεῖνος (John 9:161 John 5:111 Corinthians 15:501 John 4:9John 5:1Matthew 3:17John 7:26Luke 22:19 ὅτι οὐκ ἐν plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigέν
	greek
	Preposition meaning “in”. σοφία ἐπηρώτησας περὶ τούτου plugin-autotooltip__default plugin-autotooltip_bigοὗτος / αὕτη / τοῦτο
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KJV	Say not thou, What is the cause that the former days were better than these? for thou dost not enquire wisely concerning this.
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