

TALK IT OVER

Leaving a Legacy of Faith

BOTTOM LINE

Legacy is not what we leave for people – it's what we leave in people.

CONVERSATION STARTER

What's a family treasure or heirloom that is meaningful to you?

THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear?

What do you think?

What will you do?

RESOURCES

- The Daily: newpointe.org/thedaily
- [5 Core Values That Will Leave a Legacy That Lasts Forever](#) – A short read by Chip Ingram

KEY VERSES AND QUOTES

Like an open book, you watched me grow from conception to birth; all the stages of my life were spread out before you. The days of my life all prepared before I'd lived even one day. Psalm 139:16 MSG

Each person is given something to do that shows who God is: Everyone gets in on it, everyone benefits. 1 Corinthians 12:7 MSG

And the (instructions) which you have heard from me along with many witnesses, transmit and entrust (as a deposit) to reliable and faithful men who will be competent and qualified to teach others also. 2 Timothy 2:2 AMPC

Each generation tells of your faithfulness to the next. Isaiah 38:19b NLT

Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ. 1 Corinthians 11:1 NIV

Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10:24-25 NIV

“The greatest gift is not left to us; it is what is left in us.”

“People learn faith by watching how we live, not just by hearing what we say.”

“Your life is a living classroom for the next generation.”

“A legacy of faith is not just about how you start – it's defined by how you finish.”
– Quotes by Dwight Mason

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We all have a purpose to fulfill, a contribution to make, and a legacy to leave. Do you have clarity on each of those? How do you understand your privilege and responsibility in each? Who was the person most responsible for you “catching” faith? For those watching you, how do you choose prayer over panic? How do you show that the Lord is your Source, not your salary? How do you communicate the Spirit when in adversity? Since “you reproduce the way you live, not the way you lecture,” how does it happen effectively? How do you avoid building your faith on feelings? What part does your testimony play in this legacy, and how can you effectively share it? Discuss ways to invest consciously in people, not possessions. Investing in people extends your legacy into multiple generations. Who is a current target of your investment? Your faith can outlive you. The suggestions given were to trust when you are afraid, give when it's uncomfortable, serve when it's inconvenient, persevere when it's hard, and believe even when you don't see. How are those elements goals in your life? What can you add that you are doing for your legacy?

ACTION STEP

I want to leave a legacy. I am asking God to help me invest in these people:
