

LEGACY

**GREATER IMPACT.
GREATER CAPACITY.
PLACE YOUR STONE.**



INITIATIVE WORKBOOK



*“One generation shall commend
your works to another, and shall
declare your mighty acts.”*

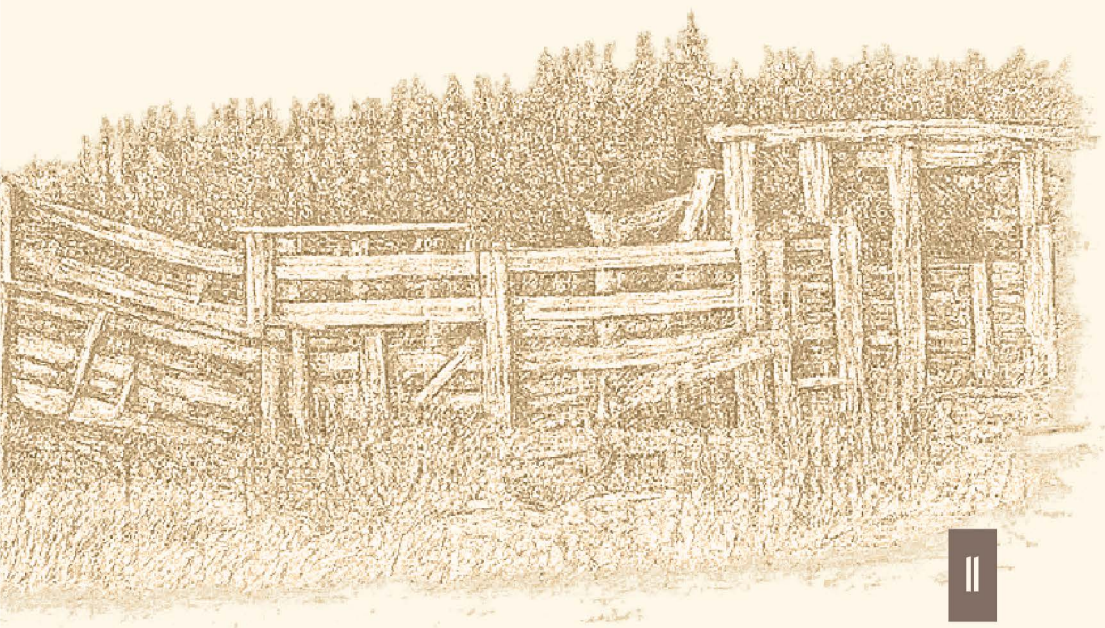
Psalm 145:4



YOUR NAME

Write your name in the space above so that everyone knows that this is your LEGACY initiative workbook. Bring this workbook back with you every Sunday during our five-week LEGACY initiative.

Throughout the workbook you'll find resources for our weekly LEGACY initiative content for you, your family and your community group to discuss together. Take time to read, journal, worship, and discover all of the extra content by scanning the QR codes.



Hey Church!

It is awesome to be here with you at such a time as this! We get to do something here together that very few people (or churches) ever get to do. We get to engage in a major step in God's work, in God's movement, and advance God's Kingdom with God, here in the White Mountains.

15 years ago God placed it on our hearts to plant a church, a new work here in the White Mountains, a community that He would grow and expand according to the purpose of His will. And so we answered the call to continue the church Jesus Christ started 2000 years ago. A church that has a vision and process for discipling and a clear biblical structure for leadership where Jesus Christ is our Senior Pastor.

A church that is not intimidating or scary but culturally inviting for the biblically challenged, the skeptical and the suspicious. A family that is honest with their brokenness, that is loving, and caring. A home that receives, equips, and sends.

This is theCHURCH today. So, what's next?

The LEGACY initiative. Recognizing, understanding, and preparing for God's church to last well beyond you and I for the love, influence and leadership of Jesus Christ to continue here in the White Mountains and beyond to create GREATER IMPACT and opportunity for GREATER CAPACITY.

Our primary goal is 100% participation, a church that is all in, because this vision is going to take all of us. And we are just getting started. Together we will reach further and further into the community providing resources to the hurting while being the hands and feet of Jesus.

Imagine inventing this future that God has placed in our hearts. We are the catalyst for this community. We are not just church planters, we are Jesus culture and Jesus community planters. A Jesus culture that is every day, a Jesus community that is not only easy to approach but easy to become a part of.

We call ourselves theCHURCH because the name alone challenges us to be just that, the-church. Nothing else, not a group or organization, simply theCHURCH, Jesus' church. So let's move forward together and let's be theCHURCH!

Love you, Pastor Ernie



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theCHURCH EXISTS TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR PEOPLE TO KNOW JESUS AND TO LEAD THEM INTO A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM.

Our driving focus as a church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. LEGACY is a generosity initiative whereby we will fund the two-year ministry plan of our church while also establishing a place where people can find theCHURCH campus in Heber-Overgaard, and fund a permanent Jesus reference point in the White Mountains with a land purchase for our Lakeside campus. All of this will create a place where God's sovereignty is unmistakable.

A LOOK BACK

THE HISTORY OF theCHURCH

2009

Saturday Night @ 7 **began with 35 people** as an alternative service at First Baptist Church of Pinetop.

2010

theCHURCH was established and moved into the Blue Ridge High School Auditorium with one Saturday night service.

2011

theCHURCH was invited into Drug Court, a county program for rehabilitation.

We hired our first full-time Worship Pastor.

2012

We rented our first building in Pinetop for our church offices and founded the RE:center there.

2013

We added a Sunday morning service to our Saturday night service. **Average church attendance grew to 219.**

2015

We transitioned from Saturday night to two Sunday morning services. **Average church attendance grew to 253.**

2017

We purchased our first building for the RE:center as the primary outreach ministry of theCHURCH and a community workbench.

We moved into the Blue Ridge Elementary School for 24/7 access church and offices.

2019

Average church attendance grew to 661.

2020

Even though we closed the doors to theCHURCH and RE:center due to health concerns regarding COVID 19, we continued to grow as we provided essential services to the community.

2022

We supported our first church plant in Bend, Oregon known as Grassroots Revival.

We purchased our first 4 homes for transitional housing through the RE:center.

2024

We planted the Heber-Overgaard satellite campus.

We completed "Training The Church" and launched our Christian Education Initiative.

Average church attendance grew to 862.

2025

We purchased 4 more homes for transitional housing through the RE:center.

We extended the lease agreement with BRUSD through 2030. We improved the front walkway and remodeled the lobby in Lakeside.

We added a third service in Lakeside. We supported Pastor Murchison with theCHURCH Florida church plant.

Average church attendance grew to 927.

We celebrated 15 years as theCHURCH of Arizona!

YOUR RESPONSE

PRAY

We need everyone in our church to pray for the LEGACY initiative. By ourselves, we cannot achieve all the things God has called us to do. But through Him all things are possible. Nothing will fuel the success of our initiative more than prayer.

We have distributed prayer cards, like the one below, with several stickers attached that we're calling "prayer dots." We encourage you to place these on your phone, your watch, your computer, or a mirror - somewhere you will see them frequently.

They are meant to remind us to stop, consider our inability and weakness, and take a moment to run to the only One who can accomplish His work through His church. If you don't have a prayer card, please ask. We hope everyone at theCHURCH will commit to praying for us to become a church that leaves a LEGACY for Jesus in the White Mountains!

PRAYER CARD

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GREATER IMPACT. GREATER CAPACITY. PLACE YOUR STONE.

DAILY PRAYER

God, You are so incredibly generous, kind, and faithful. Every day, I see Your hand of provision and grace in my life, and I am overwhelmed with gratitude. You have entrusted me with so much—not only for my own benefit, but so that I might be part of something bigger than myself. I want to use all that You've given me for Your glory: to build Your Kingdom, to bless others, and to reach more people who don't know that they can know Jesus. As I consider my commitment to the LEGACY initiative, lead me by Your Spirit. Give me wisdom to see what sacrifices I can make. Give me faith to step out in obedience. Help me hold nothing back as I stand with theCHURCH for Your mission and Your glory. I pray the same for our entire church family. Unite us in purpose, stretch us in faith, and use our generosity to leave a LEGACY that echoes into eternity.

God, show me what You would have me do—and I will do it. In Jesus' name, Amen.





LEGACY INITIATIVE

— OUR PRIMARY GOAL —

100% PARTICIPATION

This is our primary goal. Although we may not all have equal gifts, we can all have equal sacrifice to see God do something truly amazing.

All throughout scripture, the people of God built altars out of stones to mark and remember key moments of God's faithfulness.

We're believing God for one of those moments for us through this LEGACY initiative. Through our sacrificial commitments together, we will build a lasting LEGACY right here in the White Mountains.

It's time to make your commitment and place your stone.



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LEGACY INITIATIVE

— OUR GIVING GOAL —

GREATER IMPACT \$2,350,000

We want each and every ministry of our church to have an even greater **IMPACT** as we make it easier for people to know Jesus and lead them into a growing relationship with Him. The first component of our LEGACY initiative is to fund the two-year ministry plan of theCHURCH including:

- ↳ Worship and AVL Teams
- ↳ Christian Education
- ↳ Vacation Bible School
- ↳ Youth Camp
- ↳ Marriage Ministry
- ↳ Outreach Ministry
- ↳ Sunday Morning Experiences
- ↳ Community Groups
- ↳ HisKidz Discipleship
- ↳ Youth Discipleship
- ↳ Men's and Women's Discipleship
- ↳ Parenting Ministry
- ↳ Elder Care
- ↳ Administration of theCHURCH

GREATER CAPACITY \$2,500,000

God has blessed us in accomplishing our vision. Because of that, we need more spaces for all of the new faces at our Lakeside campus. In Heber-Overgaard, people are looking for theCHURCH on a weekly basis, and they can't find us. Together, we need to create greater **CAPACITY** to accommodate our continued growth. The second component of our LEGACY initiative will be to fund a land purchase for our Lakeside campus, allowing us to create a Jesus reference point in the White Mountains for generations to come. A place where God's sovereignty is unmistakable. We will also be establishing a place where people can find theCHURCH for our Heber-Overgaard campus.

- ↳ Land for Lakeside Campus
- ↳ Design Phase for Lakeside Campus
- ↳ Heber-Overgaard Office Space
- ↳ Heber Campus Personnel Salaries
- ↳ Increased RE:center Funding

TOTAL LEGACY GIVING GOAL

\$4,850,000

(over 2 years)

YOUR RESPONSE

GIVE

ONE FUND

You may have been a part of church campaigns in the past where you were asked to give a second gift "above and beyond" your regular giving. We've found that "over and above" giving is potentially confusing to people who don't have a baseline for their "normal giving." So, we are not doing this through LEGACY. Instead, LEGACY will be a "One Fund" initiative, meaning all of our giving goes toward the greater IMPACT and greater CAPACITY goals of LEGACY over the next two years. It is all one mission, so it is all one budget.

GIFT GUIDE

As you pray and seek God's direction for how you should give, use this gift chart as a discipleship tool. Allow it to inspire and challenge you toward greater generosity as we embark on this LEGACY initiative together.

LEGACY GIFT GUIDE					
GIFTS NEEDED	GIFT LEVEL	THIS GIFT LEVEL CORRESPONDS TO A:			GIFT LEVEL TOTAL FOR OUR INITIATIVE
		WEEKLY	MONTHLY	ANNUAL	
1	\$150,000	\$1,442	\$6,250	\$75,000	\$150,000
2	\$100,000	\$962	\$4,167	\$50,000	\$200,000
5	\$75,000	\$721	\$3,125	\$37,500	\$375,000
14	\$50,000	\$481	\$2,083	\$25,000	\$700,000
20	\$40,000	\$385	\$1,667	\$20,000	\$800,000
25	\$30,000	\$288	\$1,250	\$15,000	\$750,000
30	\$20,000	\$192	\$833	\$10,000	\$600,000
35	\$15,000	\$144	\$625	\$7,500	\$525,000
40	\$10,000	\$96	\$417	\$5,000	\$400,000
45	\$5,000	\$48	\$208	\$2,500	\$225,000
50	\$2,500	\$24	\$104	\$1,250	\$125,000

TOTAL: \$4,850,000

YOUR RESPONSE

GIVE

YOUR COMMITMENT

Use this commitment card sample to help you prayerfully consider what level of generosity God is calling you to during LEGACY. You will receive a fresh new card to fill out on commitment Sunday.

\$	What I normally give in a year
+	
\$	My additional annual generosity
=	
\$	x 2 (years) \$
	One-Time Gifts \$
MY TWO-YEAR COMMITMENT	\$

GROWING IN GENEROSITY

In terms of generosity and giving, LEGACY is an opportunity to grow spiritually. What you see below is a graphical illustration of a person's Giving Journey. It is a tool designed to help you focus your giving and be increasingly intentional about it. This Giving Journey focuses on our behaviors and attitudes rather than amounts. These steps are intended to help you increasingly be more generous toward the One who gave it all as you grow in your relationship with Him. Where are you on your Giving Journey? Through LEGACY, could we challenge you to take another step in your journey?

- **SACRIFICIAL GIVER:** *I'm ready to give beyond my regular giving.*
- **INTENTIONAL GIVER:** *I'm ready to give a percentage of my income consistently.*
- **CONSISTENT GIVER:** *I'm ready to now give regularly.*
- **FIRST TIME GIVER:** *I'm ready to start giving.*

LEGACY INITIATIVE

HOW TO GIVE

Ready to Give?

Place Your Stone. Leave a LEGACY.

We stand on the edge of a defining moment. Just as the Israelites stood at the banks of the Jordan, God is inviting each of us to take a step of faith, to place our stone and build something lasting for generations.

This is more than a campaign. This is a calling.

THIS IS LEGACY.

COMMITMENT SUNDAY: NOVEMBER 9TH

During the worship service on November 9th, everyone will have the opportunity to place a commitment card in the LEGACY Commitment Box as an act of worship and faith.

Even if you've already submitted your card (online or at the Night of Worship), you're encouraged to attend service and place your stone with your household.

You're not giving to a project—you're sowing into transformation, into testimony, into the next generation. This is a two-year generosity journey.

EVERY GIFT MATTERS.

Whether you give weekly, monthly, or as a one-time gift, your contribution is a story of obedience and belief.



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SERMON
&
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GROUPS

WORK BOOK

WEEK ONE

SURRENDER

Joshua 24:14-15

SURRENDER

Sunday
October 12th, 2025

SERMON NOTES

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WEEK ONE

SURRENDER

Lord, everything I have comes from You—my income, my resources, my possessions. Today I surrender not just part, but all of it back to You. Teach me to serve You in sincerity and faithfulness with my finances, so that my giving declares: As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. Amen.

A story of surrender . . .

William Carey was a humble shoemaker in England. By the world's standards, his life was ordinary, even forgettable. One day, as he read the Great Commission, his heart was broken for the millions who had never heard the name of Jesus. Though untrained and unconnected, Carey surrendered everything—his job, his home, and even the security of staying close to family—and boarded a ship to India in 1793.

He battled disease, lost children, and buried his wife overseas. But still, he kept going. Why? Because he had fully surrendered. Over his lifetime, Carey translated the Bible into over 40 Indian languages and dialects, built schools, and pioneered what we now call modern missions.

"As for me and my house," he once said, "we will serve the Lord—no matter what it costs." - William Carey

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WEEK ONE

SURRENDER

Read Joshua 24:14-15.

What is the hardest thing for you to surrender to God? Why do you think it's so hard?

What does it mean to serve the Lord in sincerity and in faithfulness?

Can you serve the Lord in sincerity and faithfulness and still hold things higher or more important than Him? Explain.



WEEK ONE

SURRENDER

It is easy to say you will surrender completely to God but how will you personally do it? Be specific.

What is it that you have not quite surrendered to Him today? Be honest.



WEEK ONE

GOING DEEPER - SURRENDER

The Stone of Encounter: Jacob at Bethel - Genesis 28:10–22

Jacob was on the run. He had deceived his brother Esau, tricked his father Isaac, and was now fleeing into the unknown. At his lowest point—alone, afraid, uncertain—he stopped for the night. With only a stone for a pillow, Jacob laid down to sleep.

But in that lonely place, God stepped in. Jacob dreamed of a ladder reaching from earth to heaven with angels ascending and descending on it. At the top stood the Lord who spoke words of promise: “I am with you. I will watch over you wherever you go... I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.”

When Jacob awoke, everything had changed. “Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it,” he said. Trembling, he declared the ground to be holy. Then he took the stone he had used as a pillow, stood it upright, and poured oil on it. He called the place Bethel—“House of God.” That stone became a marker of divine encounter.

Like the stones at the Jordan, Jacob’s stone was more than a rock. It was a testimony. It declared that God meets His people, even in their brokenness. It declared that God’s promises are not dependent on our perfection but on His faithfulness.

And here we see again: A full life in Christ is one that needs to be given just as much as it is received. Jacob received a vision of God’s nearness and a promise of God’s faithfulness. But he didn’t stop there. He set up a stone as a witness and made a vow to give back—a tenth of all that God gave him. His response to grace was generosity. His encounter turned into an offering.

This is what LEGACY looks like. We don’t just receive God’s blessing for ourselves. We mark it. We testify to it. We give back out of it so others will know.

WEEK ONE

GOING DEEPER - SURRENDER

Every time we give, we are setting up stones of testimony like Jacob's at Bethel. We are declaring to future generations: "Surely the Lord is in this place." And one day, when others walk by the markers of our faith, they will see not just buildings, ministries, or programs. They will see the evidence of encounters with God—moments when His people responded to His faithfulness with generosity.

LEGACY is not about what we accumulate. It's about what we leave behind that points others to Jesus.

Father, thank You for meeting me even in my weakness. Open my eyes to see You at work. May my response to Your presence be generosity and faith, leaving a witness for others.

WEEK ONE WORSHIP MUSIC PLAYLIST



WEEK TWO

TRUST

Malachi 3:6-12

TRUST

Sunday
October 19th, 2025

SERMON NOTES

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WEEK TWO

TRUST

Faithful God, You promise to provide for Your people when we bring our generosity. Help me trust You enough to give first, not last. Remove the fear that keeps me from being fully generous. Strengthen our whole church to step out together in trusting You with our finances, so that You may pour out blessing that overflows into our community. Amen.

A story of trust. . .

George Müller ran an orphanage in 1800s England. He cared for more than 10,000 orphans in his lifetime, but what set him apart wasn't just what he did—it was how he did it. Müller never once asked for money. He never sent letters, launched campaigns, or made public appeals. Instead, he simply prayed.

One morning, the orphanage kitchen was completely empty. No bread. No milk. Nothing. The children sat at the table, waiting. Müller led them in a prayer: "Father, thank You for the food You will provide."

Moments later, a baker knocked on the door. "God woke me up in the night," he said. "I had to bake extra bread." Then a milk cart broke down right outside the door—and the milkman offered them all his stock before it spoiled.

"God is not in a hurry," Müller once said, "but He is never late."

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WEEK TWO

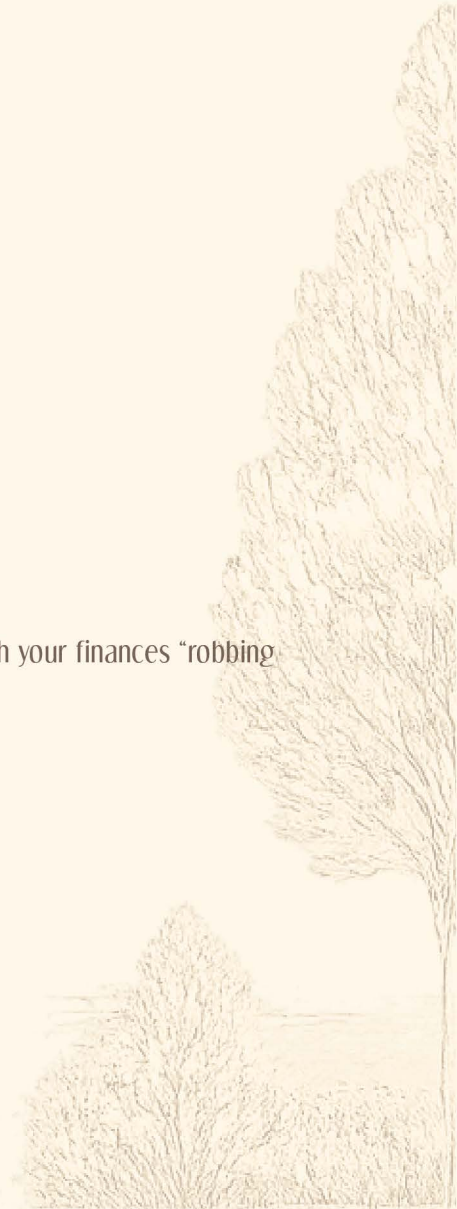
TRUST

Read Malachi 3:6-12.

Have you ever had a time in your life when you truly had to trust God?

Do you find trusting God hard? Why?

Why do you think God calls not trusting Him with your finances “robbing God”?



WEEK TWO

TRUST

What is actually being “robbed” from God here? Is it money or is it something else?

After hearing this week’s sermon, what would you say you may be robbing God of lately? Be totally honest with yourself... What are you going to do about that?

WEEK TWO

GOING DEEPER - TRUST

The Stone of Testimony: Samuel Raises Ebenezer - 1 Samuel 7:3-12

Israel had wandered again. After seasons of compromise and defeat, the people cried out for deliverance from their enemies, the Philistines. Under Samuel's leadership, they repented, set aside their idols, and turned back to the Lord.

When the Philistines attacked, Israel was vulnerable. But Samuel prayed and God thundered from heaven, throwing their enemies into confusion. The people of Israel routed the Philistines and experienced a sweeping victory.

In response, Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Shen. He named it Ebenezer, which means "Stone of Help." And he declared, "Till now the Lord has helped us."

That stone was not just about the victory of that day. It was a testimony—a marker that proclaimed God's faithfulness in the past and His continued help for the future. Whenever the people passed by that stone, they would remember that their strength did not come from themselves, but from the Lord who had fought for them.

And once again, the stones speak: A full life in Christ is one that needs to be given just as much as it is received. Israel had received God's mercy and deliverance, but Samuel led them to give something back—a visible testimony of gratitude and faith. The Ebenezer was not just for them: it was for their children and their children's children, a LEGACY marker declaring that God is faithful to help His people.

Our lives are filled with "Ebenezer moments"—times when we can say, "Till now the Lord has helped me." But the true power of those moments is not only in remembering them ourselves, but in testifying to them for others. When we give, when we sacrifice, when we commit to God's work, we are raising our own Ebenezers—stones of testimony that declare God's faithfulness to future generations.

WEEK TWO

GOING DEEPER - TRUST

LEGACY is built when the stories of God's help are carried forward, not just in words, but in visible, lasting ways. Samuel's Ebenezer reminds us that we are not only recipients of God's grace, but also witnesses who are called to mark it, proclaim it, and give generously so others will know.

“Lord, You are my help and my strength. Thank You for carrying me this far. May my life be a living testimony that points others to Your faithfulness.”

WEEK TWO WORSHIP MUSIC PLAYLIST



WEEK THREE

GENEROSITY

2 Corinthians 8:1-5

GENEROSITY

Sunday
October 26th, 2025

SERMON NOTES

LEGACY



WEEK THREE

GENEROSITY

“Gracious Father, You gave Your Son freely, and through Him You have given us everything. Lead my heart toward generosity. I want to give joyfully and sacrificially—not out of duty but out of love. Use my finances and our church’s generosity as a testimony of Your grace, so that our community sees the gospel lived out in action. Amen.”

A story of generosity . . .

In the 1930s, Gladys Aylward—just 4’10” tall and a housemaid by trade—applied to a mission agency to serve in China. They rejected her, saying she was “unqualified”, but Gladys believed God had called her.

So she bought a one-way ticket to China with her savings and took a train across war-torn Europe and Russia. She faced danger, robbery, language barriers, and imprisonment—all before even reaching her mission.

Once there, she served under an aging missionary, later taking over an inn where she offered hospitality to mule drivers and shared Bible stories every night. She became famous locally for stopping foot-binding—a cruel Chinese custom—and was eventually appointed by the local government as a foot inspector to enforce the ban.

When war broke out with Japan, Gladys led over 100 orphaned children on foot through mountains and enemy territory to safety. She was wounded and sick, but kept going, praying constantly.

Her entire life was a testimony of radical generosity—of time, resources, and ultimately, herself.

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WEEK THREE

GENEROSITY

Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-5.

What is the difference between helping or giving to make oneself feel better versus becoming a genuinely generous person?

Which are you? Why?

What effect could our church have on the surrounding communities if everyone was genuinely generous? Explain.

WEEK THREE

— GENEROSITY —

How would that make sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ more impactful coming from us?

What needs to happen in you to become the person who is genuinely generous?



WEEK THREE

GOING DEEPER - GENEROSITY

The Stones of Remembrance: Joshua at The Jordan - Joshua 4:1-7

After forty years in the wilderness, Israel finally stood on the brink of promise. The Jordan River was swollen and raging, but God commanded Joshua and the priests to step forward in faith. As soon as the priests carrying the Ark of the Covenant placed their feet in the river, the waters stopped flowing, and the people crossed over on dry ground.

It was a miraculous moment, but God did not want His people to simply move on and forget. He told Joshua to have twelve men, one from each tribe, go back into the middle of the river and pick up a stone. They carried those heavy stones out on their shoulders and stacked them together as a memorial.

Why? Because one day children would walk past and ask, “What do these stones mean to you?” And their parents would tell them the story of God’s faithfulness, how He made a way when there was no way. These stones were not about construction. They were about consecration. They were not just a pile of rocks, but a marker of identity, memory, and mission. They testified that God’s people had crossed over from wandering to promise, from fear to faith, from surviving to thriving. And here is the truth the stones declare to us even now: A full life in Christ is one that needs to be given just as much as it is received.

Think about it—those stones weren’t carried for the men who lifted them. They weren’t even carried for the generation who crossed that day. They were carried for those yet to come. The stones were a gift forward. A LEGACY.

This is the rhythm of God’s Kingdom. He pours out His goodness to us so that His goodness can flow through us. What we receive in faith, we give back in obedience. What we take in as blessing, we release as sacrifice. The fullness of life in Christ is never meant to be hoarded. It is always meant to be handed forward.

WEEK THREE

GOING DEEPER - GENEROSITY

That is why the story of Joshua 4 matters to us today. We, too, are being called to carry our stones. Not rocks from a riverbed, but acts of faith, obedience, and generosity. Each gift we give, each sacrifice we make, each step of faith we take becomes a “stone of remembrance” declaring, “God was faithful here.”

One day, future generations will look back—our children, grandchildren, and those who don't even know Jesus yet—and they will ask, “What do these stones mean?” And we will be able to say: These represent the moments we trusted God. These represent the sacrifices we made to see His Kingdom advance. These represent the LEGACY of faith we choose to leave behind.

Like Israel, we stand at the edge of promise. God is inviting us to step into His vision for the future—not simply for ourselves, but for those who will follow. And just as it was for them, the story of God's faithfulness will not only be told in words—it will be built in stones.

“God, I remember Your faithfulness in my past. As I take steps of faith today, help me place my stone so future generations will know You are faithful still.”

WEEK THREE WORSHIP MUSIC PLAYLIST



WEEK FOUR

SACRIFICE

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

SACRIFICE

Sunday
November 2nd, 2025

SERMON NOTES

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WEEK FOUR

SACRIFICE

Jesus, though You were rich, for our sake You became poor so that we might be rich in grace. Teach me to follow Your example by giving up financial comfort for the sake of Your Kingdom. Help me plan my giving, not just in the moment, but with long-term faithfulness that advances the mission of Your church. Let my sacrifice bring life and hope to others. Amen.

A story of sacrifice . . .

Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a German pastor and theologian who saw the Nazi rise to power with spiritual clarity. While many churches remained silent or were complicit, Bonhoeffer chose a path of resistance.

He helped found the Confessing Church, which refused to pledge allegiance to Hitler. Later, he joined a conspiracy to overthrow the regime. For his involvement, he was arrested in 1943.

While imprisoned, Bonhoeffer wrote his most famous works—"The Cost of Discipleship", where he contrasted "cheap grace" with the real thing:

"When Christ calls a man, he bids him come and die."

Even behind bars, Bonhoeffer ministered to fellow prisoners. The camp doctor later reported:

"I saw Pastor Bonhoeffer kneeling on the floor praying fervently to his God. He was calm and confident."

On April 9, 1945—just weeks before liberation—Bonhoeffer was executed by hanging. His legacy lives on as a man who gave everything for Christ.

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WEEK FOUR

SACRIFICE

Read 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Why do so many people like talking about sacrifice for the greater good and yet have a hard time actually doing it?

How is Jesus the greatest example of sacrifice? What did He sacrifice for you?

We tend to think that sacrifice for the greater good is usually in the moment. How can your sacrifice for the advancement of the kingdom be planned?

WEEK FOUR

SACRIFICE

What does it look like for you and your household to put together a plan of sacrifice that joins the rest of theCHURCH in this LEGACY initiative? Be specific.

WEEK FOUR

GOING DEEPER - SACRIFICE

The Stone of Sacrifice: Abraham on Moriah - Genesis 22:1-14

There are few stories in Scripture as sobering, and as faith-filled, as Abraham's journey up Mount Moriah. God asked Abraham to do the unthinkable: to take his beloved son Isaac, the child of promise, and offer him as a sacrifice.

The command must have cut to the core. Isaac represented everything God had promised: descendants, nations, a future. To give up Isaac seemed to mean giving up the very covenant God had made. Yet Abraham obeyed. He rose early, cut the wood, and walked for three days toward Moriah.

On the mountain, Isaac himself carried the wood for the altar. When he asked his father, "Where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" Abraham replied, "God Himself will provide the lamb."

Since there was no lamb provided by God, Abraham bound Isaac and planned to sacrifice him as the lamb. At the last moment, as Abraham raised the knife, the angel of the Lord stopped him. In the thicket, a ram was caught. God had indeed provided the sacrifice. Abraham named that place The Lord Will Provide.

Moriah became a lasting testimony of faith, obedience, and provision. Here, too, we see the truth: A full life in Christ is one that needs to be given just as much as it is received. Abraham had received promise upon promise from God, but now he was asked to give back in radical trust. His willingness to surrender what he valued most became the gateway for God to reveal His faithfulness in an even deeper way.

Sacrifice is never easy. It always costs something. But every act of sacrifice declares to the watching world—and to generations yet to come—that God is worthy of our trust. Abraham's "stone" of sacrifice on Moriah still speaks today: The Lord will provide.

WEEK FOUR

GOING DEEPER - SACRIFICE

Our LEGACY is built in the same way. Each gift, each offering, each commitment we make are proverbial stones, an altar of trust declaring that God is our provider. Just as Abraham laid down his son in obedience, we are called to lay down what we treasure—our resources, our comfort, our control—in faith that God's plan is greater than our own.

And here is the wonder: centuries later, on another hill not far from Moriah, God Himself provided His own Son as the sacrifice. What Abraham only foreshadowed, God fulfilled in Christ. The ultimate stone of sacrifice was the cross, where Jesus gave His life so we might receive eternal life. When we choose sacrifice today, we are aligning ourselves with this eternal story. We are not losing something; we are giving forward into God's Kingdom. And in every act of sacrifice, a LEGACY is built that points to the faithfulness of God.

“Lord, teach me to trust You like Abraham. Help me to lay down what I hold tightly and believe that You will always provide. May my sacrifice become a testimony of Your faithfulness.”

WEEK FOUR WORSHIP MUSIC PLAYLIST



WEEK FIVE

— COMMITMENT —

Joshua 24:16-28

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WEEK FIVE

— COMMITMENT —

Holy God, You are worthy of my devotion and loyalty. Today I commit my finances to You, not half-heartedly, but completely. Keep me faithful when my resolve is tested. Surround me with others who will encourage me to keep this commitment. May my generosity be a witness to Your provision and a declaration that we will serve the Lord with all that we have. Amen.

A story of commitment . . .

Sundar Singh grew up in India, deeply religious—but not Christian. When his mother died, he felt angry and empty. At 15, he cried out, “If there is a true God, reveal Yourself to me.” That night, Jesus appeared to him in a vision.

His Hindu family disowned him. He had nowhere to live, nothing to his name. But Singh chose the life of a Sadhu—a wandering holy man—and traveled village to village, barefoot, wearing only a robe, preaching the gospel across India, Tibet, and Nepal.

He endured beatings, freezing nights, wild animals, and near-death experiences. But he never gave up. Why?

“I have decided to follow Jesus. No turning back.” - Sundar Singh



WEEK FIVE

— COMMITMENT —

Read Joshua 24:16-28

Why did Joshua tell the people, “You are not able to serve the Lord”?

What seems to always hinder or get in the way of the commitments you make to the Lord? Be specific and honest.

How will you invite the accountability of others to help you keep your commitment? Be specific.



WEEK FIVE

—COMMITMENT—

Where is God calling you to serve and obey that you need to commit to?

What will be your “Stone of Witness”?



WEEK FIVE

— GOING DEEPER - COMMITMENT —

The Living Stone: Christ Our Cornerstone

1 Peter 2:4–6; Ephesians 2:19–22

Throughout Scripture, stones have been used as memorials, markers, and testimonies. Israel carried stones out of the Jordan to remember God's faithfulness. Jacob set up a stone at Bethel to testify to God's presence. Abraham built an altar of sacrifice on Moriah. Samuel raised an Ebenezer to declare God's help. Each stone told a story of God's work in and through His people.

But all of those stones point forward to the ultimate Stone—Jesus Christ, the living stone, the cornerstone. Peter writes, “As you come to Him, the living stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to Him—you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house.” (1 Peter 2:4–5)

In ancient architecture, the cornerstone was the first stone laid. Every other stone in the building found its alignment and stability in reference to that stone. If the cornerstone was set true, the whole building would stand firm. If it was off, everything would be unstable.

Jesus is that cornerstone for our faith. Our lives, our families, our church, our future—everything finds its direction and strength in Him. Without Him, the stones we lay have no lasting purpose. With Him, every act of obedience and every sacrifice becomes part of a spiritual house that will stand for eternity.

And here again we see the rhythm of the Kingdom: A full life in Christ is one that needs to be given just as much as it is received. Jesus gave Himself fully—His life, His blood, His love. And because He gave, we now receive grace, forgiveness, and eternal life. But, His gift calls forth our own. We are invited not just to receive Him, but to be given over to Him—so that others may also come to know Him.

WEEK FIVE

GOING DEEPER - COMMITMENT

This is the heartbeat of LEGACY. Every stone of remembrance, every stone of encounter, every stone of sacrifice, every stone of testimony—all of them come together and find their meaning in Christ the Cornerstone. He is the foundation of our lives and the reason we build for future generations.

As we place our stones—our acts of faith, sacrifice, and generosity—we are not just building for ourselves. We are aligning our lives with the Cornerstone. We are becoming part of a spiritual house that will declare for generations to come: “Jesus Christ is Lord, and God was faithful here.”

“Jesus, You are the cornerstone of my life. Align my heart, my priorities, and my resources with You. Use me as a living stone to build a LEGACY that declares Your name.”

WEEK FIVE WORSHIP MUSIC PLAYLIST



LEGACY

NOTES



The background of the page is a light beige color. It features a repeating pattern of stylized birds in flight, scattered across the page. In the lower half, there are three large, stylized mountain peaks represented by thick, light beige lines. At the top center, there is a rectangular box with a thin black border. Inside this box, the word "LEGACY" is written in a large, bold, serif font. Below it, the word "NOTES" is written in a smaller, all-caps, sans-serif font.

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