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“LEGACY”

“WHAT’S LEFT BEHIND”

Isaiah 58:10-12 KJV

And if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noonday: [11] And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not. [12] And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in.

Legacy is what remains after a person, family, or community has lived, acted, or transitioned. It's the impact carried forward into the future. Legacies can be tangible or intangible, intentional or unintentional.

A legacy is more than material possessions; it's the imprint of our lives on others, the seeds sown in character, faith, and influence. Legacy is the continuity and succession of the family line. The Greek definition of “legacy” points to an inheritance, heritage, or portion that one generation entrusts to the next.

1. Types of Legacies

- **Material Legacies** – wealth, property, possessions, businesses, or resources passed on.
- **Relational Legacies** – family traditions, values, ways of loving or communicating.
- **Spiritual Legacies** – faith practices, prayers, testimonies, and patterns of devotion.
- **Cultural Legacies** – art, music, literature, and contributions that shape identity.
- **Emotional/Behavioral Legacies** – habits, coping mechanisms, trauma patterns, or resilience passed through generations.
- **Leadership & Service Legacies** – influence, teachings, mentorship, or community impact.

2. Positive and Negative Legacies

- **Positive:** Integrity, compassion, faith, perseverance, love, generosity, justice.
- **Negative:** Cycles of trauma, secrecy, abuse, fear, control, poverty, unforgiveness.



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3. Legacy in Biblical Perspective

- **Proverbs 13:22** “ –A good man leaves an inheritance to his children’s children.”
- **2 Timothy 1:5** – Paul speaks of Timothy’s faith passed down from his grandmother Lois and mother Eunice.
- **Exodus 20:5-6** – Generational consequences and blessings are both mentioned, showing how legacies can transmit spiritually and behaviorally.

4. Shaping Your Legacy

- **Intentional Living:** Daily choices become tomorrow’s legacy.
- **Healing & Deliverance:** Breaking harmful patterns so they don’t pass forward.
- **Documentation:** Writing family stories, faith journeys, or testimonies ensure preservation.
- **Investing in Others:** Mentorship, teaching, and modeling values create living legacies.

Questions to Ask Yourself:

- **What will people say I stood for?**
- **Am I leaving patterns worth repeating?**
- **Am I sowing more than I consume?**
- **What will continue growing because of my life after I am gone?**

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