





### 1.I WISH I TOOK MORE **RISKS**.

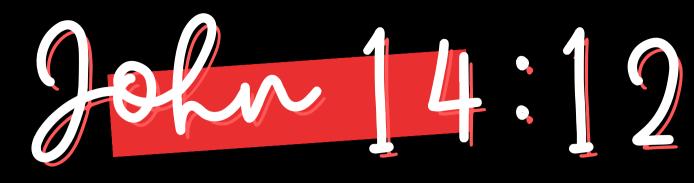
### 2. I WISH I REFLECTED MORE.

### 3. I WISH I FOCUSED ON WHAT WOULD OUTLAST ME.

### Survey done on those in their 90s.



### "During his lifetime, Absalom had <u>built a</u> monument to himself in the King's Valley, for he said, "<u>I have no son to carry on my name</u>." He named the monument after himself, and it is known as Absalom's Monument to this day..."

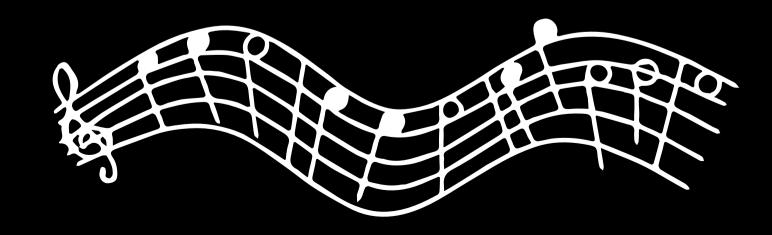


### "Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father."





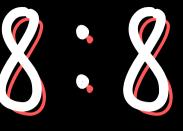
## "Saul has slain his thousands, And David his ten thousands."







## "Saul was very angry; this refrain displeased him greatly. 'They have credited David with tens of thousands,' he thought, 'but me with only thousands. What more can he get but the kingdom?"





## In every matter of wisdom and understanding about which the king questioned them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters in his whole kingdom.





"Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?' 'Let me inherit a *double portion* of your spirit,' Elisha replied."







"I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too."







## "Then Elijah walked for a whole day into the desert. He sat down under a bush and **asked to die. 'I have had enough, Lord,'** he prayed. 'Let me die. I am no better than my <u>ancestors.</u>"



- 80% are discouraged and battle depression.
- 81% have insufficient time with their spouses.

- 70% have lower self esteem than when they started in ministry.
  90% work more than 46 hours a week.
- 80% believe their ministry affects their family negatively.
- 70% do not have someone they consider a closer friend.
  - 97% have been betrayed by a close friend.
    - 10% will retire as pastors.
    - 1,500 pastors quit each month
    - 7,000 churches close each year.

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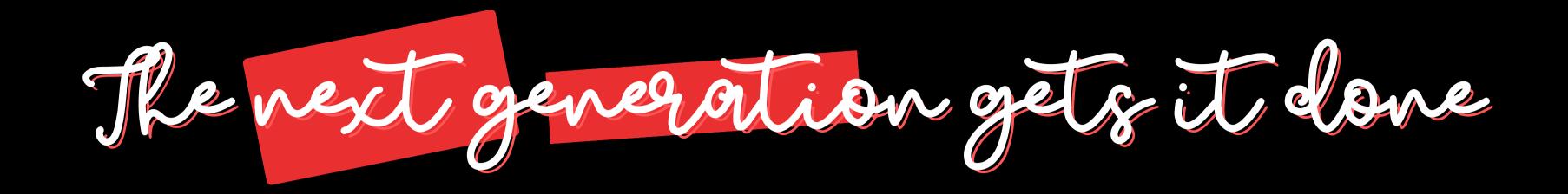
"Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram. Also, anoint Jehu...king over Israel, and anoint Elisha...to succeed you as prophet. Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu."



### "Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israe - all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and whose mouths have not kissed him."



JEHU (Elijah) SOLOMON (David) JOSHUA (Moses) RUTH (Naomi) DISCIPLES (Jesus)















### The seventy-two returned with joy and said, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in Your name."





"At that time Jesus, full of joy through the Holy Spirit, said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do."



### "I could have no greater joy than to hear that my children are following the truth."

