

MADE FOR A LEGACY  
Joshua 23:1-11, 24:11-15 (NIV)

1. A Legacy of FAITHFULNESS.

*"Be very strong; be careful to obey all that is written in the Book of the Law of Moses, without turning aside to the right or to the left. <sup>7</sup>Do not associate with these nations that remain among you; do not invoke the names of their gods or swear by them. You must not serve them or bow down to them. <sup>8</sup>But you are to hold fast to the LORD your God, as you have until now. <sup>9</sup>The LORD has driven out before you great and powerful nations; to this day no one has been able to withstand you. <sup>10</sup>One of you routs a thousand, because the LORD your God fights for you, just as he promised. <sup>11</sup>So be very careful to love the LORD your God."*

Joshua 23:6-11 (NIV)

*Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, <sup>2</sup>fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. <sup>3</sup>Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.*

Hebrews 12:1-3 (NIV)

2. A Legacy of GIVING GOD the CREDIT.

*Joshua said to all the people, "This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says... <sup>11</sup>'Then you crossed the Jordan and came to Jericho. The citizens of Jericho fought against you, as did also the Amorites, Perizzites, Canaanites, Hittites, Girgashites, Hivites and Jebusites, but I gave them into your hands. <sup>12</sup>I sent the hornet ahead of you, which drove them out before you—also the two Amorite kings. You did not do it with your own sword and bow. <sup>13</sup>So I gave you a land on which you did not toil and cities you did not build; and you live in them and eat from vineyards and olive groves that you did not plant.'"*

Joshua 24:2, 11-13 (NIV)

*Don't be deceived, my dear brothers and sisters. <sup>17</sup>Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. <sup>18</sup>He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created.*

James 1:16-18 (NIV)

3. A Legacy of FAMILY.

*"Now fear the LORD and serve him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. <sup>15</sup>But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the*

*gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."*

Joshua 24:14-15 (NIV)

*Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.*

Proverbs 22:6 (NIV)

*Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.*

Ephesians 6:4 (NIV)

4. Each of us are building a legacy TODAY that we will leave for the FUTURE.

*For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ. <sup>12</sup>If anyone builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, <sup>13</sup>their work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each person's work.*

1 Corinthians 3:11-13 (NIV)