

Summer at Hope

WEEK 8- LEAVING A LEGACY

BIG IDEA:

As followers of Jesus, we are filled with great power, but we all have issues. We all have a past that has to be dealt with, passion and personalities that need to be harnessed, and we have a real enemy we are fighting every day. We are going to face adversity and trouble in this world, but today we are looking beyond the trouble, to the end. How can you live your life with the end in mind so that you leave a legacy?

KEY VERSES:

Deuteronomy 6:1-2 "These are the commands, decrees, and regulations that the Lord your God commanded me to teach you. You must obey them in the land you are about to enter and occupy, and you and your children and grandchildren must fear the Lord your God as long as you live. If you obey all his decrees and commands, you will enjoy a long life."

Heb 12:1b-2a Let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith.

1. What is a legacy that someone left that you have benefited from? In what way did the choices that someone made in the past affect your life now?

Key Question #1: When you think of leaving a legacy, what comes to mind? What do you want to be remembered for?

Key Point #1: Live Out Your Legacy

2. What are some of your long-term goals for your relationship with the Lord? What could you start doing today so you can live those out in the future?
3. In what way(s) do you have influence over the next generation? Do you feel that you are fully leveraging that influence? Why or why not?
4. What does "running with endurance" look like with your children?

Key Point #2: Live Into Your Faith

Key Question #2: What pieces of your faith are important enough that you would want to pass them on to others?

5. How could you intentionally help those around you to follow, grow, and live for Jesus?

Key Point #3: Live For Your Purpose

Key Question #3: Who has God made you to be?

6. How do you know what your purpose is? How do you know when you are living into who God has created you to be?
7. What are you doing with the gifts, talents, opportunities, energy, relationships, and resources God gave you?

MOVING FORWARD:

Your greatest impact, your greatest legacy, will come from doing what God has uniquely called you to do with the people, the relationships, that He has put in your life. We were meant to use our gifts. At the end of your life, what do you want to be said of you? As a group talk about what you could do this week to begin building that legacy for the next generation?