

Message Notes | The Life of David

Part 10: Leaving a Legacy

1 Chronicles 28:1-10

#1 Leaving a legacy inevitable.

→ What kind of legacy will you leave behind?

→ One final message – vs. 1-9

#2 Know God: have a personal relationship with God.

→ Knowing about God vs. knowing God

#3 Serve God: Your life isn't about you.

→ A counter-cultural legacy

#4 Seek God: Pursue God as your highest good.

→ David's life of seeking God

#5 Your legacy doesn't have to be perfect because your savior is.

→ Jesus' perfect legacy for you

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1. When you think of the word "legacy" what comes to mind? How did this message, and especially David's words in **verse 9** to Solomon, change or reinforce your thoughts?
2. In **verse 9** David's first instruction to Solomon is to "**acknowledge** (literally "know") **the God of your father.**" What is the difference between merely knowing about God verses knowing God relationally? What are some things especially younger people can observe in our lives that shows our faith is relational and not just "academic"?
3. David also told Solomon in **verse 9** to serve God. In other words, "your life isn't about you." Compare that to our modern-day messaging. In what ways are David's words so counterintuitive and counter-cultural?
4. David's third point in **verse 9** was for Solomon to seek God. For parents especially, we want to give the next generation the best things – athletics, education, vacations, career success, financial stability, etc. While those things are good, how might our pursuit of giving our kids "the best things" cause us to overlook giving them "*the* best thing" in life?
5. Is there anything you're currently pursuing for the next generation that might be receiving more attention than their relationship with God? What might it look like to reorient that priority?
6. The legacy you leave starts now. Based on David's words and this message, share one thing you would like to change in your life that would more clearly point others to Jesus?

Bible Reading

1 Chronicles 28:1-10

David summoned all the officials of Israel to assemble at Jerusalem: the officers over the tribes, the commanders of the divisions in the service of the king, the commanders of thousands and commanders of hundreds, and the officials in charge of all the property and livestock belonging to the king and his sons, together with the palace officials, the warriors and all the brave fighting men.

² King David rose to his feet and said: "Listen to me, my fellow Israelites, my people. I had it in my heart to build a house as a place of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD, for the footstool of our God, and I made plans to build it. ³ But God said to me, 'You are not to build a house for my Name, because you are a warrior and have shed blood.'

⁴ "Yet the LORD, the God of Israel, chose me from my whole family to be king over Israel forever. He chose Judah as leader, and from the tribe of Judah he chose my family, and from my father's sons he was pleased to make me king over all Israel. ⁵ Of all my sons—and the LORD has given me many—he has chosen my son Solomon to sit on the throne of the kingdom of the LORD over Israel. ⁶ He said to me: 'Solomon your son is the one who will build my house and my courts, for I have chosen him to be my son, and I will be his father. ⁷ I will establish his kingdom forever if he is unswerving in carrying out my commands and laws, as is being done at this time.'

⁸ "So now I charge you in the sight of all Israel and of the assembly of the LORD, and in the hearing of our God: Be careful to follow all the commands of the LORD your God, that you may possess this good land and pass it on as an inheritance to your descendants forever.