

LEGACY LEAVERS: CRAZY FAITH

PURSUE RELATIONALLY

To kick things off, go around the circle and ask your group to answer the following question:

Share with your group a time when you may have been in a tight spot financially and you either relied on God to provide or you relied on yourself?

LIVE AUTHENTICALLY

Welcome to the third week in our series, Legacy Leavers. What about your life will outlive you? What if you got serious about your legacy? Together, we'll learn that in our surrender, God uses crazy faith and radical generosity to shape us into Legacy Leavers: those who leave a lasting impact.

When it came to being generous this week, did you feed your flesh or were you a faithful steward with God's resources? If you fed your flesh, live authentically and confess it to your group.

COUNSEL BIBLICALLY

This week Josh preached a sermon titled, Crazy Faith. In this sermon his whole goal was to help us understand the difference between professing to trust God, but actually serving the spirit of mammon, and what it means to actually trust God as our provider. The spirit of mammon is a belief that we don't need God if we have riches. Everything in our culture tells us that we need to seek provision (riches, wealth, success, etc.) in order to be happy. In fact, culture would tell us that in order to make an impact in the world or in order to truly leave a legacy, first we must seek provision.

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But what if God is serious? What if God is serious when He asks us to trust Him with our purpose in life, and He will provide all that we need? Maybe it doesn't take Crazy Faith to trust that God is serious, maybe so few people believe in our cultural context that it looks crazy when someone actually lives it out.

Our Legacy Leaver principle this past week was:

Legacy leavers do not chase provision, legacy leavers chase purpose.

Read Luke 16:10-13

The root word for "Money" in Luke 16 is Mammon (Aramaic) = Riches. Mammon was also a Syrian God that people worshipped. The God of Riches.

What area of your life would you say you still need to divorce the spirit of mammon?

Read Matthew 4:18-22

What do you take away from this story?

Has God ever called you to purpose? How?

Did you follow that calling or did you run from it? Why?

Remember: It takes Crazy Faith to chase purpose over provision. (Crazy Faith = When God says do something, we do it).

Read Mark 10:17-22



What do you take away from this story?

What's the difference between the Disciples and the Rich Young Ruler? Hint: The Disciples followed purpose, The Rich young ruler followed provision.

Which of the characters in these two stories best describes you? Do not answer which one you THINK you are, but which one do your actions say that you are?

Note: The general consensus of your group will most likely be that most people identify themselves like the disciples. Be careful to answer too quickly. Notice, the disciples gave up their livelihood, their home, and their comforts in order to follow Jesus.

The disciples did not store up a “nest egg” or have a plan B. When Jesus showed them their purpose, they gave up their own provision, and trusted that He would provide if they lived in purpose.

When was the last time you paused to ask God what His purpose is for your life?

If you don't know if he's calling you to something, spend time this week asking God if He is.

Hint: His word already calls you to so much.



DEVOTE DAILY

This week Pastor Josh asked us to consider the question, “What if God is serious?” What if God is serious about chasing His purpose for our lives then he will always provide for us. If we look at our lives, have we been generous in a way that reflects a trust in God as our provider, chasing purpose over provision, or has our life been one big rat race of chasing provision never considering God’s purpose for us? The challenge was to evaluate our own lives and ask if we REALLY take God at his word when He says that He alone is our provider and that will give us the provision we need, when we walk in His purpose.

What would it look like if your group began to take God serious about chasing purpose over provision?

We’ve said since Week 1 that scripture says there is a blessing from God when we live according to His principles. Are you willing to boldly live out this principle of God and chase purpose over provision?

Pray:

As a group, spend some time in prayer and being still before the Lord. Pray that God would give you the strength to boldly live out His principles. Pray that God would help you to remember that all you have is a blessing from Him, and that He would reveal to you His purpose that you need to be chasing, and then ask him for the boldness to chase it no matter what the cost.

Memorize:

“No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and be enslaved to money.”

Luke 16:13 NLT