



THE LEGACY IS PEOPLE.

Luke 12

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LIFEGROUP LEADER GUIDE

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Luke 12:32-34 NIV

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will not be exhausted, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Your legacy is not a mansion on earth.

32 "Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.

Your legacy is not a mansion in the sky.

John 14:1-3

Your legacy is people that you send to heaven.

32 "Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom....33...a treasure in heaven...

Legacy Check-up:

1. My family and close friends can see that I believe that everything I have belongs to God.
2. I attempt to remain out of debt, so that I am not crippled by financial obligations.
3. I have a plan for getting out of debt, and goals for the savings and use of money.
4. I am building a legacy of people through my prayers, my service, and my giving back to God his tithes and offerings that reach souls here and around the world.

For next Sunday, read John 10: Shepherd for Your Soul

WARM-UP: Discuss what the term "legacy" means. Give examples of legacies in the following arenas?

- Sports
- Entertainers
- U.S. Presidents
- Inventors

Would you agree that a true legacy is lasting or enduring? Why?

READ LUKE 12:22-31

Does this passage bring you comfort? Why?

What do these verses show you about God, the Father?

Why is worry about material possessions so detrimental to a life of focusing on a legacy?

What does worry cause one to focus on?

Verse 30 contrasts pagan idolatry with real needs that God understands are valid. How do we know the difference?

Verse 31 gives an important principle about first things first. What is it? Quote together the memory verse: Matt. 6:33

What does it look like in daily life to seek God's kingdom first?
(In the home, school, spiritual disciplines, finances, recreation, neighborhood life, etc.)

READ LUKE 12:32-34

What is the "kingdom" and why is it better than any possessions?

Give some examples of how one's heart will follow after one's treasures. Anyone have a bad example?

READ LUKE 12:35-40

Paraphrase these verses in your own words.

What is the main truth that this parable relays?

Because Jesus could come at any hour, how does that impact how we should handle our possessions?

APPLICATION

Do you agree with the pastor's comment that there are only two things on earth that will last forever: people and the Word of God? Why or why not?

If it is true, does it make sense to you that our greatest treasure or legacy to "store up in heaven" is people?

Give an example of how you recently put a person before a possession.

Share some ways that you are trying to grow a legacy of people in heaven because of you.