

LEAVING A LEGACY

Prov 3:35 The wise shall inherit glory, but **shame** shall be the legacy of fools. **NKJV**

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO LEAVE A LEGACY? NERO AND CEASER/PETER AND PAUL

THE IMPACT MY LIFE WILL HAVE ON:

- **MY FAMILY-** MAKING IT EASIER OR HARDER FOR MY KIDS TO BE GODLY?
- **THE WORLD-**WHAT WILL THE WORLD SAY ABOUT ME WHEN I AM GONE?
- **ETERNITY-**WHAT WILL GOD SAY?

2 Sam 7:1-10

7:1 After the king was settled in his palace and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, 2 he said to Nathan the prophet, "**Here I am, living in a palace of cedar, while the ark of God remains in a tent.**" 3 Nathan replied to the king, "Whatever you have in mind, go ahead and do it, for the LORD is with you." 4 That night the word of the LORD came to Nathan, saying: 5 "Go and tell my servant David, 'This is what the LORD says: Are you the one to build me a house to dwell in? 6 I have not dwelt in a house from the day I brought the Israelites up out of Egypt to this day. I have been moving from place to place with a tent as my dwelling. 7 Wherever I have moved with all the Israelites, did I ever say to any of their rulers whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, 'Why have you not built me a house of cedar?'" 8 "Now then, tell my servant David, 'This is what the LORD Almighty says: **I took you from the pasture and from following the flock to be ruler over my people Israel.** 9 I have been with you wherever you have gone, and I have cut off all your enemies from before you. **Now I will make your name great, like the names of the greatest men of the earth.** NIV

I.God promised David a “legacy”

- **What is my legacy going to be and how is it initiated:**

VRS. 2-"Here I am, living in a palace of cedar, while the ark of God remains in a tent."

II.David cared more about Gods Honor than His own.

- **Not something realized at end of life. Was a pattern.**

1 Sam 17:26 – {DEALING WITH GOLIATH}

26 David asked the men standing near him, "What will be done for the man who kills this Philistine and removes this disgrace from Israel? Who is this uncircumcised Philistine that he should defy the armies of the living God?" NIV

2 Sam 23:13-17-{POURING OUT THE WATER AT ADULLAM}

15 David longed for water and said, "Oh, that someone would get me a drink of water from the well near the gate of Bethlehem!" 16 So the three mighty men broke through the Philistine lines, drew water from the well near the gate of Bethlehem and carried it back to David. But he refused to drink it; instead, **he poured it out before the LORD.** 17 **"Far be it from me, O LORD, to do this!" he said. "Is it not the blood of men who went at the risk of their lives?" And David would not drink it.** NIV

III. Things David went through that made Him this way?

- **Learned in a place of rejection. DIDN'T ALLOW TO DEPRESS HIM**

1 Sam 16:10-11

10 Jesse had seven of his sons pass before Samuel, but Samuel said to him, "The LORD has not chosen these." 11 So he asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?" "There is still the youngest," Jesse answered, "but he is tending the sheep." Samuel said, "Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives." NIV

- **Developed a Warrior / Worshiper heart: NO-ONE SAW THIS HAPPENING**

1 Sam 16:23-WORSHIPER

23 Whenever the spirit from God came upon Saul, David would take his harp and play. Then relief would come to Saul; he would feel better, and the evil spirit would leave him. NIV

1 Sam 17:33-37-WARRIOR

33 Saul replied, "You are not able to go out against this Philistine and fight him; you are only a boy, and he has been a fighting man from his youth." 34 But David said to Saul, "Your servant has been keeping his father's sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, 35 I went after it, struck it and rescued the sheep from its mouth. When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it. 36 Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. 37 The LORD who delivered me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine." Saul said to David, "Go, and the LORD be with you." NIV

2 Cor 4:17-18

17 For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. 18 So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. NIV