

Open Hands: Stewardship with Kingdom Vision

The Legacy Clock: Leaving a Generational Blueprints

It is the engine of spiritual inheritance. Our commitment, character, testimony and generosity are the blueprints we leave behind.

"We will not hide them from their descendants; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done."-Psalm 78:4

1. What is one thing you are building that will outlast you?
2. What will the next generation absorb?
3. What consistent habit do you need to start this week to clearly show Christ priority?
4. What the next generation witnesses?
5. What the next generation needs?
6. What is the one action you will commit to this week to honor the legacy clock?

The hands of the legacy clock that I will discuss to you in this message today is the following hands:

- The minute hand: the blueprint of consistency
- The hour hand: the blueprint of character.
- The fourth hand: the blueprint of generosity
- The second hand: the blueprint of conversation

We prioritize immediate demands over eternal demands. We need to make eternal demands important to be obedient to God under the grace of God. It leads to generational drift. The legacy clock is ticking on your life. Every moment is stamping an impression onto a blueprint. We must program our lives according to the four hands of the legacy clock. I will talk about our daily habits and routines. Habit is the transfer mechanism. We need to watch your minute by minute priorities, such as devotion, prayer before worrying, honor sabbath and Sunday worship.

Read and memorize Deuteronomy 6:6-7

Read and memorize 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

Character is revealed under pressure. Our response for the dark hours of our life, such as loss, betrayal and failure. We need to focus on God's trial. We need to show a child of God about ensuring forgiveness and honesty. This is the time we need to admit our wrongs to our families and friends. God can forgive us. That is why I am giving the seminars on laziness because we see we treat our loved ones and friends wrong by taking advantage of their kindness and self esteem. We take advantage of other people's self esteem by being lazy and having low self esteem for ourselves. It happens in marriages and relationships as well that lead to broken marriages and relationships. I will say again that we must take our time while finding a future soulmate and trying to spend our lives with a person that acts irresponsible, lazy and low self esteem that depends on others too much and does not know how to get things for themselves. I want to say this to you all because my mother just recently died from a stroke or heart failure symptoms. The funeral is on December 4 and I am scheduled to leave Detroit to go to Chicago on December 2. Stroke and heart failure causes stress in a person's life. I believe my mother unexpectedly died from stress in her life because she always complained about my stepfather and how she was not happy. It

hurts to talk about this after her death, but I am speaking the truth to some of you and some people that you can pass this message on to a loved one to save their life from stress. My mother was living in poverty with unstable financial security. She did not have a retirement or not receiving retirement social security because some people believe she did not work long enough to get it. People that get retirement social security that worked at one job for over thirty years. My mother had multiple jobs that did not lead to a thirty year old career for her to get social security at retirement age. That is why I say to our children, start planning your goals and stay in school to study hard because it will prevent stress, mental health, bipolar disorders, anxiety and depression later in your life. I mean it is good to go out and get a job or go to college to get a career. We do not want to like people out here that are depressed and have mental health problems living in poverty and limited income living off the government off of public assistance and welfare, such as SNAP, Medicaid and receiving cash assistance from the government. Democrats will not tell voters this during election season and on the campaign trail. Democrats want us to live off of the government and make us addicted to government subsidies. When a government shutdown happens, people are stressed because they may not receive benefits and government subsidies that they depend on each month. People need to start taking the advice from Steve Harvey's plan and write down 300 realistic goals you want to accomplish in your life and post them somewhere in the house to see them daily. We can eliminate the goals off the list that we accomplish in our life. We need to help our family and friends in their times of need without questions asked to show we care for one another and stop letting people struggle in our family or inner circle. I do not like it in 2011 that I was struggling while pursuing my higher education at DePaul University, but I forgave and continue to pursue my higher education as a person you see today without family help. I am still working on receiving a salary from this congregation to end being financially squeezed myself paying rent and living expenses. Generosity is an act of faith, not finance. Tithing and offering is an act of trust in God. We must teach and continue to teach the next generation that God is our source, not job and bank account. If we do not model giving, the blueprint you leave behind teaches the next generation that money is hoarded and trusted more than God. Our giving today finds the mission that reaches the next generation. We are financing the expansion of the Kingdom blueprint. The commitment to trust God with our resources. We must model radical generosity, so that the next generation never doubt God's ability to provide from them like it was done for us. The greatest gift you leave is a clear and audible blueprint of how they can meet Jesus. We must show integrity during a crisis.

When I was a child, I always discussed the Bible with my grandmother on my biological father's side of the family. She always called me in her room or dining room table to start her Sunday school with me every Saturday night at her house. I always went to Sunday school and fellowship gatherings with her while I was a child. It is the reason I was thinking that I have a more spiritual and stronger relationship with my biological father's side of the family. I believe my spiritual foundation and enthusiasm for God and living my life for God comes from his side of the family. It explains why I noticed my biological father's side of the family was able to help me out in bad times while I was young. I believe my biological father's side of the family believes more in cheerful giving and helping people in need. I noticed as my grandma on my biological father's side of the family participated and actively involved in her church with cooking for fellowship gatherings and planning events for her church as a Sunday school teacher. I believe my legacy will come from them because I care for the needy and homeless, volunteer in the community, read the Bible, born again and baptized on September 4, 2011, got my calling to preach and open the church that is growing faster and faster every week with members and visitors from the community. I do not live my life as a Mammon and as a tax collector. I believe my struggles at DePaul

University was a wakeup call for me in 2011 to find myself spiritually to seek God in my life and let God direct my path and destiny on where I want to be in my life. I believe the destiny he wanted for me is to end my world desires and serve him at the center of my life and save lost souls in the world by using my spiritual gifts in shepherding, wisdom, knowledge, exhortation, teaching and prophecy. My prayer life is a lot stronger today for people, but I believe my prayers do not reach everybody that wants to still live their life as sinners and as split life outside of church. I do not worry about haters and what people think of me on a daily basis. I let God judge those people and my good heart as a man of God.

- Stop drawing blueprints of fear and in action.
- Put your hand to the plow to build a Godly legacy.
- Set your Hope in God
- Keep and obey his commandments

Heavenly Father,

Let us use this message this week to reset our internal clock for our legacy.

Guide more of us including friends and family to reset our internal clock daily.

Help us choose consistency over comfort

Guard are hearts while dealing with our habits, hurts, conversations, and priorities.

Grant us resilience and character for us to face trials, tribulations and crisis

Help us model our life with 100% trust in God.

In Jesus name, Amen