

LEGACY SUNDAY

THE BLESSING MINDSET Pastor Brad Howard - December 10, 2023

Lakeshore Church: We exist to build people into fully devoted followers of Christ by taking them on a four-step spiritual journey to Know God, Find Hope, Discover Purpose, and Make a Difference.

LEGACY is living a life that will exist beyond me by making an eternal difference in the kingdom of heaven.

OUR LEGACY LANES

LANE ONE: THE NEXT GENERATION

Judges 2:10 CEV

After a while the people of Joshua's generation died, and the next generation did not know the LORD or any of the things he had done for Israel.

LANE TWO: FACILITIES AND EXPANSION

Isaiah 54:2-3 NIV

"Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes. For you will spread out to the right and to the left . . ."

Our Journey Campaign - one third through the 3 year commitment; 30 percent of the Journey funds have come in.

LANE THREE: THE GREAT COMMISSION

Acts 1:8 NIV

". . . You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth"

A LEGACY OFFERING

2 Corinthians 8:1-2 NIV

And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity.

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SCARCITY MINDSET: I NEVER HAVE ENOUGH.

Haggai 1:6 NIV

"You eat, but never have enough. You drink, but never have your fill. You put on clothes, but are not warm. You earn wages, only to put them in a purse with holes in it."

BLESSING MINDSET 1: I HAVE MORE THAN ENOUGH.

Proverbs 3:9-10 NIV

Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.

BLESSING MINDSET 2: IT TAKES FAITH TO BE A GIVER.

2 Corinthians 8:3-5 NIV

For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us.

"If one first gives himself to the Lord, all other giving is easy." -John Bonnell

BLESSING MINDSET 3: I'M HERE TO BE A BLESSING.

2 Corinthians 9:7-11 NLT

You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others. As the Scriptures say, "They share freely and give generously to the poor. Their good deeds will be remembered forever." For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you. Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous. And when we take your gifts to those who need them, they will thank God.