

**Life Notes**  
**November 29, 2009**  
**Legacy**

*Matthew 5:11-16 (NKJ)*

*"Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you. You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."*

*Jesus' plan for each one of us is to leave a legacy.*

*"My children will not remember the words of wisdom I've passed along over the years, nor will yours remember the good advice you've given. However, etched in their minds and planted in their hearts is a permanent picture of who you are and how you've lived before them."*

*Dorothy Kelly Patterson*

Lean With No Regrets

*Psalms 39:4-5 (NL)*

*LORD, remind me how brief my time on earth will be. Remind me that my days are numbered—fleeting my life is You have made my life no longer than the width of my hand. My entire lifetime is just a moment to you; at best, each of us is but a breath.*

Every one of us has a \_\_\_\_\_ to leave a legacy.

*1 Corinthians 3:12-14 (NIV)*

*If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, his work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each man's work. If what he has built survives, he will receive his reward.*

My greatest regrets I can blame on.....ME!

**The Principle of the Path** - Andy Stanley

Our problem stems from the fact that we are not on a Truth Quest.

We are on a \_\_\_\_\_ quest!

*Proverb 27:12 (NIV)*

*The prudent see danger and take refuge, but the simple keep going and suffer for it.*

*John 8:31-32 (NIV)*

*To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."*

*Romans 7:14- 20 (NIV)*

*We know that the law is spiritual; but I am unspiritual, sold as a slave to sin. I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me. I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. For what I do is not the good I want to do; no, the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it.*

*Jeremiah 17:9 (NIV)*

*The human heart is the most deceitful of all things, and desperately wicked. Who really knows how bad it is?*

The truth can hurt!

1. Why am I doing this.....really?
2. If someone in my circumstance came to me for advice, what course of action would I recommend?
3. In light of my past experience, my future hopes and my dreams, what is the wise thing to do?
4. What does the Bible say?

*1 Kings 3:7-9 (NIV)*

*1 Kings 3:10-13 (NIV)*

*Proverbs 3:5 (NIV)*

**Trust in** the LORD with all your heart and **lean not** on your own understanding;

*John 3:16 (NIV)*

*For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who **believes** in him will not perish but have eternal life.*

When the way we view things and the way God views things conflict!

*Proverbs 3:6 (NIV)*

*In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.*

*Proverbs 3:1-35 (NIV)*

Divine direction begins with unconditional submission and leaves a Godly legacy!