



VIDEO DISCUSSION | WEEK 3

Sermon: January 25, 2026

LEAVING A KINGDOM LEGACY: BUILDING BEYOND OURSELVES (PSALM 78:4-7)

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HOOK

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Building, and leaving, a legacy is a matter of stewardship. When legendary College Football Coach Mike Leach passed away in December 2022, he left behind a unique legacy. In the wake of his passing, many reporters, coaches, and players reflected on their favorite moments spent around one of the more charismatic and interesting coaches of the last few decades. Leach's tenure contained successful years of head coaching at Texas Tech, Washington State, and Mississippi State. His immediate legacy might have been a funny halftime interview or his intriguing coaching style, but Leach's long-term legacy is evident in the coaching tree he left behind. Leach's leadership style and innovative playbook continue to permeate football at collegiate and professional levels. At least six current college head coaches (Lincoln Riley: USC, Sonny Dykes: TCU, Josh Heupel: Tennessee, Dave Aranda: Baylor, Eric Morris: UNT, Sonny Cumbie: Louisiana Tech) can attribute their success in coaching to Leach, not to mention several coordinators in college and NFL.

Leach built a legacy through proactively stewarding the coaches and athletes entrusted to his leadership. Today we are going to look at building a godly legacy through proactive stewardship of all that God has entrusted to us.

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Begin the video now, pause when prompted, then walk through the discussion points below

Talking Point 1: A godly legacy transcends turnover

Scripture: Judges 2:6-12

- Q: Why did the generation after Joshua's death abandon faithfulness to God?
- Q: The book of Judges concludes by saying that "everyone did what was right in his own eyes." What does this phrase mean?
- Q: Who in the Bible *did* leave a strong, lasting legacy?
- Q: What would it take for the tragedy described in Judges 2:6-12 to take place today?

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Talking Point 2: A godly legacy transforms the next generation

Scripture: Psalm 78:4-7

- Q: What is the purpose of leaving a godly legacy, according to Psalm 78:7?
- Q: Why does the Psalmist reflect back on the days of Joshua to make his point?

Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Deuteronomy 6:4-9 is often called the Shema ("hear" in Hebrew), represents the most important prayer in the Jewish tradition. Its influence is evident in Jesus' decision to utilize it in his explanation of "the greatest commandment" (Mark 12:28-30). Practically, the Shema shows us how a godly legacy is built.

- Q: What are the specific actions commanded in Deuteronomy 6?
- Q: What is the intent behind these commands?
- Q: What is the connection between stewardship and reaching the next generation?

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Talking Point 3: A godly legacy is not about you

Scripture: Ephesians 3:1-3; Colossians 1:24-26; 2 Corinthians 5:18-20

- Q: What does it mean to be “ambassadors for Christ”?

The story from the “hook” is applicable here. Mike Leach built a coaching tree that will carry on his legacy through those that played, trained, and coached under his leadership. In a secular sense, Leach properly stewarded the responsibility he had been given. His name could be erased from the history books, but his impact would still be felt. Now consider the early Church and the legacy of Paul, Timothy, Apollos, and so on.

- Q: How are we still benefitting from the work of early church apostles and missionaries?
- Q: Compare and contrast a legacy that is centered on the earthly family and a legacy that is centered on the spiritual family.
- Q: Who is someone in your life that left behind a legacy that elevated Christ rather than themselves?



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Re-read Psalm 78:4-7. Spend a few minutes discussing the practical applications of today's passage:

- Q: Who is in your “discipleship tree”?
- Q: What is the connection between Gaining Ground and building a godly legacy?
- Q: What steps will you take towards leaving a godly legacy this week?