Leading a Legacy

Faith Over Fear (Week 3) LifeNotes



Main Idea

We lead a legacy each moment we choose faith over fear.

Key Scriptures

During that night the Lord said to Gideon, "Get up, go down against the camp, because I am going to give it into your hands. If you are afraid to attack, go down to the camp with your servant Purah and listen to what they are saying. Afterward, you will be encouraged to attack the camp." So he and Purah his servant went down to the outposts of the camp. The Midianites, the Amalekites and all the other Easter peoples had settled in the valley, thick as locusts. Their camels could no more be counted than the sand on the seashore. Judges 7:9-12 NIV

When Gideon heard the dream and its interpretation, he bowed down and worshiped. He returned to the camp of Israel and called out, "Get up! The Lord has given the Midianite camp into your hands." Judges 7:15 NIV

"Watch me," he told them. "Follow my lead. When I get to the edge of the camp, do exactly as I do." Judges 7:17 NIV

Every action you take is a vote for the type of person you wish to become. – James Clear

Start talking.

- Pastor Joel made the statement, "We celebrate the culmination of legacies while downplaying their formation." What are some examples of this?
- Why is it often easy to overlook formative moments?

Start thinking.

- Read Judges 7:9-12. If God had promised He was going to give the camp into Gideon's hands, then why would he have been afraid? Why did God offer to provide assurance to Gideon?
- Before Gideon overheard the dream and its interpretation, he first was confronted by the odds he faced. How would that have sat in him?
- Read Judges 7:15. Why did he stop to worship before returning to the camp?
- Read Judges 7:17. What changed in Gideon that resulted in this sort of powerful leadership?

Start sharing.

- What role does fear play in your life?
- How does faith intersect with fear for you?

 What kind of legacy would you like to leave for others based on how you choose to respond to fear?

Start doing.

- What is your fear? Can you define it? Speaking it brings it to light and diminishes its power over us.
- Where is faith leading you?
- How can you begin to stack faith over fear this week?

Closing prayer.

Jesus, thank you for loving me. Thank you for meeting me in the midst of my fears. Lord, give me the courage and confidence to choose faith over fear one choice, one decision, one moment at a time. Help me God to lead a legacy of faith for me, for others, and for generations yet to come.