

What Will You Leave Behind?

Introduction: Thomas Jefferson said, "Too old to plant trees for my own gratification, I shall do it for posterity." The fact is we are all going to leave a number of things behind.

I) Three Examples

A) **Jeroboam, 1 Kings 12:27 - 32.**

1. He left behind
2. At his death the religion continued and was a snare to Israel from that time until their exile. **1 Kings 14:16**
3. This is said about one of the most wicked kings of Israel, Ahab. **2 Kings 3:3**

B) **David, Acts 13:22**

1. Like all of us David was not perfect but he is remembered for his love for God.
2. Other kings were noted for "walking in the ways of David". **2 Kings 22:2**
3. His love actually affected the way God dealt with Judah. **2 Kings 8:19**

C) **Dorcas , Acts 9:36 - 39**

1. What did she leave behind?

II) **Some Things You Will Leave Behind**

A)

1. What will they remember about your character?
 - a. Your **- Proverbs 12:19**
 - b. Your **. Romans 12:13.**
 - c. Your love for **-1 Thessalonians 1:2 -3**
 - d. Will they remember your faithfulness to the Lord and your love for worship?

B) **Your**

1. What will people say about you when you are gone?
2. Will they speak about your honesty, trustworthiness, virtue?
3. One of the qualities mentioned in Acts 6 while seeking men to take care of the Grecian widows was reputation. **Acts 6:3**

C) **Your**

1. You don't know the number of times I have heard people speak of the influence their mom/dad had and continues to have in their life. **Proverbs 22:6.**
2. Timothy was taught by **. 2 Timothy 1:5; 2 Timothy 3:14 -15**
3. The most important thing you will do as a parent is to teach your children about God.

D) **You will leave behind your**

1. Think of the rich man in the story of Lazarus and the rich man. **Luke 16:19 ,23 , 24, 25**

III) What You Will Not Leave Behind

A) **Your**

1. God knew who Lazarus was and his spiritual condition. **Luke 16:25**
2. The Lord knows those who are His, 2 Timothy 2.19, **1 Thessalonians 4:14 -15**

B) **Your** Revelation 14:13

1. This is one of the few things I can find that you can take with you.