

Wednesday Word 5/6/2026

**Proverbs 13:22** “A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, but the sinner's wealth is laid up for the righteous.”

In my office, I have a desktop clock that was built in 1881 (Approx). It's an old clock with a key that is used to wind it. It was my great-great grandmother's clock who bought it with one of her first paychecks from her teaching job in Ottertail County, Minnesota. It made the journey to Tacoma, Washington and passed down from generation to generation until this last week it landed on my desk over 130 years later. Inside the clock is a small piece of paper with the story of its journey. It is now my job to add to that story.

In fact, I just wound it up as I am writing this and I can hear the ticking from the clock. It is such a strange sound as I am not used to these types of clocks or sounds. It almost feels like I am traveling to another time hearing that ticking sound. All in all, the clock is beautiful and very well crafted and has been taken care of for the last century plus. It is an amazing family Heirloom that I will pass on to one of my kids one day.

I sat back and thought to myself, what will be my “heirloom of faith” that I pass on? What will generations after me look to try and understand my faith? I don't know how those who come after me will choose. I pray that I am vocal enough with my faith and relationship with Jesus to have left an authentic mark that is intriguing, authentic and attractive.

Maybe it is the notes in my Bible, a sermon I preached or a picture I drew. In all honesty, it will be my grandkids and great grand kids that assign the value to the things that I touch today. My prayer is that I leave a strong enough mark for Christ on all the things that I hold in my possession now. That whatever I am left holding when my life is over would leave the fingerprints of my faith all over it.

Let's consider what is in front of us this week and prayerfully consider how we can leave an “Heirloom of faith” for future generations.

I Love you and God loves you!

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