



GIVING STRATEGY™

# Legacy

Discovery exercises to help you leave a legacy  
of generosity for future generations



The story you write today will establish the foundation for the legacy you leave tomorrow. These exercises empower you to pass on your values and set expectations for your heirs. You'll focus on preparing the next generation to make kingdom impact an enduring trait of your legacy.

Quiet reflections

Reflect on each aspirational statement below.

I know the values I want to pass on to the next generation.

The future generation(s) in my family are generous and engaged in giving.

I want the next generation(s) to carry on our family's passions and charitable causes.

My estate plan reflects my faith.

I am clear about how much to give my heirs and charities now and in the future.

My heirs are prepared to handle the wealth my estate plan will leave them.

We have regular discussions about what God desires for our wealth.

We have established traditions that celebrate our giving.

I have a mentor or friend who helps me reflect generosity in my life.

As you think about your legacy of generosity, what do you feel most confident about?

What feels challenging or unfamiliar?

Discover your story

God is writing his story of transformation through you and for the world. The blessings and challenges you have experienced can equip you to join him in the story he's writing.

Imagine the line below represents your life. In the space above the line, write your high points – events, experiences, or seasons that have brought you great joy. In the space below the line, write your low points – the disappointments, pains, or trials that have impacted you.

HIGH POINTS

LOW POINTS

Reflect on the story of your life.  
How might God use your story to bring peace to a broken world?

## Values

Choose the values you want to prioritize today so the story God is writing through you carries on to future generations. Circle 8-10 values below. Feel free to write in any other values in the blank below.

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|----------------|---------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Acceptance     | Development   | Innovation          | Risk-taking     |
| Accountability | Diversity     | Joy                 | Safety          |
| Achievement    | Empathy       | Kindness            | Security        |
| Advancement    | Encouragement | Knowledge           | Self-control    |
| Adventure      | Ethics        | Leadership          | Selflessness    |
| Advocacy       | Excellence    | Learning            | Service         |
| Appreciation   | Fairness      | Love                | Simplicity      |
| Autonomy       | Family        | Loyalty             | Stability       |
| Benevolence    | Flexibility   | Making a difference | Success         |
| Boldness       | Freedom       | Motivation          | Teamwork        |
| Challenge      | Friendships   | Open-mindedness     | Thankfulness    |
| Cheerfulness   | Fun           | Optimism            | Trustworthiness |
| Cleverness     | Generosity    | Originality         | Uniqueness      |
| Collaboration  | Grace         | Passion             | Vision          |
| Commitment     | Growth        | Peace               | Warmth          |
| Community      | Happiness     | Performance         | Well-being      |
| Compassion     | Health        | Playfulness         | Wisdom          |
| Contribution   | Honesty       | Proactivity         | Other(s):       |
| Cooperation    | Humility      | Professionalism     | _____           |
| Creativity     | Humor         | Quality             | _____           |
| Daringness     | Inclusiveness | Recognition         | _____           |
| Dedication     | Independence  | Resilience          | _____           |
| Dependability  | Individuality | Resourcefulness     | _____           |



### Discover your Giving Strategy

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