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#### Ave. Age of Pastor

My church puts a significant priority in training and developing the next generation of church Somewhat Agree Strongly Agree 2015 22% 47% 2022 14% 31%

## 68 Ave. Age of Retirement Strongly Disagree Somewhat Disagree

	27%	5%
35%	19%	1%





So I hated life, because the work that is done under the sun was grievous to me. All of it is meaningless, a chasing after the wind. I hated all the things I had toiled for under the sun, because I must leave them to the one who comes after me. And who knows whether that person will be wise or foolish? Yet they will have control over all the fruit of my toil into which I have poured my effort and skill under the sun. This too is meaningless. So my heart began to despair over all my toilsome labor under the sun. For a person may labor with wisdom, knowledge and skill, and then they must leave all they own to another who has not toiled for it. This too is meaningless and a great misfortune.'

Ecclesiastes 2:17-21





## HANNAH & PENINNAH 1 Samuel 1& 2





#### Hannah's Prophetic Prayer (1 Samuel. 2)

2 "There is no one holy like the Lord; there is no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God. 3 "Do not keep talking so proudly or let your mouth speak such arrogance, for the Lord is a God who knows, and by him deeds are weighed... 7 The Lord sends poverty and wealth; he humbles and he exalts... 10 "It is not by strength that one prevails; those who oppose the Lord will be broken. The Most High will thunder from heaven; the Lord will judge the ends of the earth. "He will give strength to his king and exalt the horn of his anointed." 1 Samuel 2:2-3,7,10





#### HANNAH Prayer (1 Samuel. 2)

# God Rejects the Proud & Exalts the Humble Through Human Evil, God is at Work for Good Messianic Purpose: King & Savior





## Why Do Testimonies Matter? What do you know about God and His Ways?





## SAUL & DAVID 1 Samuel & 2 Samuel





#### SAUL

#### Proud

#### Rebels against God

#### Dishonors God's Word

#### DAVID

#### Humble

#### Submits to God

#### Honors God's Word





## What are our values? What values are we impressing on our children?







## **DAVID & SOLOMON 2 Samuel 7 & 22-23**





## GOD'S PROMISE TO DAVID 2 Samuel 7

"'The Lord declares to you that the Lord himself will establish a house for you: When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and I will establish his kingdom. He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be his father, and he will be my son.

2 Samuel 7:11-14





#### DAVID'S LAST WORDS TO SOLOMON

3 The God of Israel spoke, the Rock of Israel said to me: 'When one rules over people in righteousness, when he rules in the fear of God, 4 he is like the light of morning at sunrise on a cloudless morning, like the brightness after rain that brings grass from the earth.'

2 Samuel 23:3-4





#### SOLOMON'S HUMBLE PRAYER FOR WISDOM

"You have shown great kindness to your servant, my father David, because he was faithful to you and righteous and upright in heart.

"But I am only a little child and do not know how to carry out my duties."

"So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong."

1 Kings 3:6-9





## What are we passing down? Wealth of Man OR Wisdom of God?





1 Kings

## SOLOMON & REHOBOAM

Multi Generational



Then King Rehoboam consulted the elders who had served his father Solomon during his lifetime. "How would you advise me to answer these people?" he asked. They replied, "If today you will be a servant to these people and serve them and give them a favorable answer, they will always be your servants." But Rehoboam rejected the advice the elders gave him and consulted the young men who had grown up with him and were serving him. He asked them, "What is your advice? How should we answer these people who say to me, 'Lighten the yoke your father put on us'?" The young men who had grown up with him replied, "These people have said to you, 'Your father put a heavy yoke on us, but make our yoke lighter.' Now tell them, 'My little finger is thicker than my father's waist. My father laid on you a heavy yoke; I will make it even heavier. My father scourged you with whips; I will scourge you with scorpions."

1 Kings 12:6-11





## What are you instructing and modeling? What would your kids say?





## MANASSEH & JOSIAH 2 Kings 21-23







#### MANESSAH 2 Kings 21

"To Forget"

Built back idols, his Father tore down (v3)

Child Sacrifice- His own son (v6)

#### JOSIAH 2 Kings 22

"God Supports and Heals" Finds the Law: Repents (v11)

Tears down idols, calls a generation back: Reformation (Ch.23)



#### JOSIAH'S REPENTANCE, HUMILITY, REFORMATION

"When the king heard the words of the Book of the Law, he tore his robes... "Go and inquire of the Lord for me and for the people and for all Judah about what is written in this book that has been found. Great is the Lord's anger that burns against us because those who have gone before us have not obeyed the words of this book; they have not acted in accordance with all that is written there concerning us."

2 KINGS. 22:11-13





## Where do we need Repentance? Where do we need Reformation?





## MARY & JESUS Matthew's Testimony 1:1-16 Genealogy & Promise





## for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed,

#### Luke. 1:48





## PARENTS: TRUST RELEASES HERITAGE

## CHILDREN: HONOR RELEASES INHERITANCE







## 1. HERITAGE WHAT WE PASS DOWN





## 2 NHERTANCE WHAT WE RECEIVE





### 3. GOD IS FAITHFUL TO HIS PURPOSE NEW GENERATION, SAME PLAN





#### GOD'S BIG PICTURE

#### From Hannah

#### REDEMPTION

#### Samuel, Kings, Chronicles, Matthew

#### To Jesus The Lamb





#### **GOD'S BIG PICTURE**

#### From Hannah

#### REDEMPTION

#### Samuel, Kings, Chronicles, Matthew

#### **To Jesus** The Lamb

#### **To Jesus** The Lamb

#### RENEWAL

#### **To Jesus** The Lion

Gospels, Acts, Epistles, 2023, Revelation ->





