LEAVING A LEGACY OF LIGHT:

“The world isn’t connected by molecules. It’s connected by stories, traditions, memories, hopes, and dreams. We are connected by the legacies passed down from those who came before us and the legacies we pass down to those who come after us.”  - Susan V. Bosak

Ephesians 5:15-17 (NIV1984) “Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is.”

Psalm 90:12 (NIV1984) “Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.”

Deuteronomy 30:19, 20a (NLT) “Today I have given you the choice between life and death, between blessings and curses. Now I call on heaven and earth to witness the choice you make. Oh, that you would choose life, so that you and your descendants might live! You can make this choice by loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and committing yourself firmly to him.

LEGACY DRAWER WORKSHEET

A LEGACY OF LIGHT: “Anything that we pass on to others that helps lead them into greater light, or out of darkness.”

Who you THINK you are, YOU ARE!

Proverbs 23:7a “For as person thinks in his heart, so is he …”
HOW DO YOU AND I CREATE A LEGACY OF LIGHT?

Regularly allow God’s light to shine on the darkness within us and apply what we learn to daily life; that is life transformation. The Holy Spirit will do the rest!

Psalm 90:8 (AMP) “Our iniquities, our secret heart and its sins [which we would so like to conceal even from ourselves], You have set in the [revealing] light of Your countenance.”

I Peter 2:9-10  “But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.”

Ephesians 5:8(AMP)  “For once you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord; walk as children of Light [lead the lives of those native-born to the Light].”

“I can’t put the whole of my identity into the smallness of any situation. I have been given fullness. In Christ. I can place the wholeness of my identity in THAT reality… and see everything else as small in comparison.” – Lysa TerKeurst, Unglued

Ephesians 1:2-5(NLT)  “May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace. All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ. Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure. So we praise God for the glorious grace he has poured out on us who belong to his dear Son.”
Further Study

1. Look over your lists of words on the Legacy Drawer Worksheet. Circle all negative words or perceptions and begin to think and speak about each one in past tense.

2. Make a new list of who you want to be, what you want to be true, what beliefs you want to become consistent with truth. Speak those out loud often, say those things in a mirror, pray them and meditate on them. Attach them to Scripture at some point.

3. Using the “I Am Not” hand-out —
   - Read each verse listed.
   - Say one “I am not” statement in the mirror until you’ve gone through the list.

“Prayer is your primary connection with God. Prayer is where God most fully experiences who you are. There are no games, no masks, no trickeries—it’s just you and God. You’re naked before Him with no chance of covering up. Prayer is your heart laid bare before God. But it’s also where you most fully experience Him, where God brings Himself to be known by you. Your prayer life is the reflection of your walk with God. Restored prayer brings a restored relationship with Him. When God restores your prayer life, He also restores your image of yourself. At once you saw yourself and the things that happened to you in a certain way. But in prayer, God shows you His perspective. He helps you interpret what happened by revisiting your experiences with you. God was there when your father beat you, or when your friends betrayed you, or during your life’s great pains. These pains enforced certain beliefs about yourself, and no matter how justifiable they seemed, they are not God’s thoughts about you. God doesn’t rewrite the past, but He corrects your interpretation of it. Restored prayer creates a restored image of yourself.” - Author, Chris Heinz in his soon to be published book, Made To Pray

Visit CSHeinz.com Chris is doing monthly webinar on prayer – all are welcome to attend!
Do a word search on “light” on www.biblegateway.com or read and meditate on:

Psalm 27:1
Psalm 36:9
Psalm 90
Psalm 119: 105,130
Proverbs 6:23
Isaiah 42:6
Isaiah 58
Micah 7:8 (Amplified)
Matthew 5:15-16
John 3:18-21
John 8:12
John 12:46
Romans 13:12
2 Corinthians 4:6
1 John 1:5-9
1 John 2:1-10
Ephesians 5