

Living for Legacy **Living for Legacy.**

Living For Legacy – Part 3
We Love Our City
Pastor Raymond Beaty
November 24/25

Key verse for the series

Matthew 25:21

Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things.

Reminder: During the final week of our series, December 8/9, we will have the opportunity to invest in one of our 5 Legacy Lanes of Generosity. These are the major projects, outreaches, expansions, and visionary exploits that are waiting to be conquered.

5 Legacy Lanes of Generosity

- Building Projects and Expansion
- Next Generation
- Community Outreach
- Church Plants and Campuses
- International Missions

Working definition: **Legacy**

1. What we invest in and build with our lives that will be passed on to others.
2. The imprint and impact of our lives that will outlive us.

A sampling of programs in the TFH We Love Our City department include:

- Adopt a Block
- Adopt a School
- Storehouse
- Community Garden
- Bookmobile
- After-school Program
- Graffiti Removal
- Mobile Hair Salon

- Mobile Medical Clinic
- Mobile Vision Clinic
- Kicks for Kids
- Prison Outreach

TALK IT THROUGH

1. Have you participated in any of the We Love Our City programs? If so, briefly share some of your experience. If not, which of these listed above sound interesting to you and why?
2. Pastor Raymond gave this quote: *“Under-resourced people don’t have limited capacity, they have limited opportunity.”*

TFH has sought to open avenues of opportunity for people within our communities, and to “level the playing field.” There can be varying perspectives on providing help/resources with no strings attached, and of course we always need to use wisdom. Discuss the idea behind Pastor Raymond’s quote. Also read James 2:14-18 and discuss how it applies to community outreach.

3. Have you experienced a time in your life when you needed an opportunity opened to you that you couldn’t open yourself? If so, share some of that story and whether you received the necessary help. What difference did it make?
4. Do you find it difficult or easy to reach into under-resourced neighborhoods, or into situations, people’s lives, that seem desperate? Why? If it’s a challenge, can you identify the fear or discomfort? What is the joy?
5. The six cities of refuge in ancient Israel were built for *protection* and *justice* for the innocent person who found himself in great need. Below are the names of the six cities and their meanings (Remember: in the Old Testament, names represented character).
What do you think the message is God is making?

- | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| • Kedesh – <i>holy</i> | • Shechem – <i>shoulder</i> |
| • Golan – <i>complete</i> | • Hebron – <i>friend</i> |
| • Ramoth – <i>height</i> | • Bezer – <i>fortress</i> |

6. Read Deuteronomy 15:7-11. Discuss ways you can individually, and/or together as a group, participate in the Legacy Lane of We Love Our City. Some may want to give financially, but others may be able to also participate in one or more of these areas. Consider doing a project as a group.

For more information on group project ideas, contact Samantha.robinson@tfh.org.