FOR THE SAKE OF YOUR CHILDREN

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I have three children and nine grandchildren and I want each of them to be saved! The Bible says that "a good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children." I want to be known as a good man and I want my family to always be taken care of but more important than leaving behind silver and gold, I want to leave my family an inheritance of the things of God.

I want to leave behind some Bibles that I have read, some prayers that I have prayed, some sermons that I have preached but most important, a life that I have lived for the Lord.

Parents must never forget that the life we live is being closely watched by our children. We are either laying the ground work for their spiritual future or else we are setting them up for a life of spiritual hardship. We are either laying stepping stones or stumbling blocks for our children's spiritual well being.

We must never forget that no man is an island. The things we do, the things we say, the life we live is going to affect more than just ourselves.

Ex 20:3-6 Thou shall have no other gods before me. Thou shall not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: Thou shall not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

God said that He would visit the iniquity of the fathers upon their children and He would show mercy to those who keep His commandments.

The life that I live will either affect my children and my grandchildren for good or for evil.

Hos 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shall be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

I don't want my children forgotten by God because I fail to keep His word.

Ps 18:50 Great deliverance giveth he to his king; and sheweth mercy to his anointed, to David, and to his seed for evermore.

David found mercy in the sight of God and because he did, God said that it would affect his seed forever.

Luke 1:50 And his mercy is on them that fear him from generation to generation.