

LEAVING A LEGACY...

(2) The Leader in You

God uses...

Those who get broken about the things God is broken about
Those who humbly kneel and pray for God to move
And those who will then stand to act.

*God often uses ordinary people in
impossible situations to do extraordinary things*

*God doesn't just use people because of their position
He often get's better results because of their passion*

*To make a difference for Jesus in this world, it's
not about being the best, It's about Caring the most.*

*God is more likely to use those the rest of us would most likely look right past.
Where we look for credentials and gifting, God looks for passion and character*

3 thoughts about discovering and becoming the Leader in you:

#1

There's a God-Ordained mission in you. Discover it, and then define it clearly.

Nehemiah 2

1 In the month of Nisan, win the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was before him, I took up the wine and gave it to the king...

...Now I had not been sad in his presence. 2 And the king said to me, "Why is your face sad, seeing you are not sick? This is nothing but sadness of the heart." Then I was very much afraid.

3 I said to the king, "Let the king live forever! Why should not my face be sad, when the city, the place of my fathers' graves, lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire?" 4 Then the king said to me, "What are you requesting?" So I prayed to the God of heaven.

If prayer isn't necessary for you to fulfill
the mission, your mission is not big enough.

5 And I said to the king, "If it pleases the king, and if your servant has found favor in your sight, that you send me to Judah, to the city of my fathers' graves...

that I may rebuild it."

*A leader that leaves a legacy can define their mission clearly.
If you can't define your mission how can you expect to fulfill it.*

#2

If you want to be a leader that leaves a legacy, you've got to make plans carefully.

A leader that leaves a legacy makes plans carefully. Failing to plan at anything important in your life is really you planning to fail.

6 And the king said to me (the queen beside him), "How long will you be gone, and when will you return?" So it pleased the king to send me when I had given him a time.

7 And I said to the king, "If it pleases the king, let letters be given me to the governors of the province Beyond the River, that they may let me pass through until I come to Judah

8 and a letter to Asaph, the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the fortress of the temple, and for the wall of the city, and for the house that I shall occupy..."

"...And the king granted me what I asked, for the good hand of my God was upon me."

*Planning, learning, and hard work are essential for leaders that leave a legacy.
God works more in our preparation as he does in the presentation.*

*Here's one of the most life-changing, practical secrets of leadership:
Don't overwhelm yourself with the immensity of your whole mission...*

Simply define the next step of the process, the smallest next step, and then take it.

Thousands of small steps make one HUGE leap.

#3

Leaders that leave a legacy inspire others with their passion.

*Legacy leaving leaders inspire people passionately.
Yes-you can make a difference by yourself, BUT you're
going to need other people if you want to change the world*

17 Then I said to them, "You see the trouble we are in, how Jerusalem lies in ruins with its gates burned. Come, let us build the wall of Jerusalem, that we may no longer suffer derision." 18 And I told them of the hand of my God that had been upon me for good, and also of the words that the king had spoken to me. And they said, "Let us rise up and build." So they strengthened their hands for the good work. 19 But when Sanballat the Horonite and Tobiah the Ammonite servant and Geshem the Arab heard of it, they jeered at us and despised us and said, "What is this thing that you are doing? Are you rebelling against the king?" 20 Then I replied to them, "The God of heaven will make us prosper, and we his servants will arise and build, but you have no portion or right or claim in Jerusalem."

If you will Define the Mission Clearly...

If you will Make Plans Carefully...

If you Care enough to Take the time to Inspire others Passionately...

If you choose take the step of becoming a Leader who leaves a legacy...

It's amazing who God will bring to help you.

Light yourself on fire with passion and people
will come from miles to watch you burn! - John Wesley

*People are ready to get involved in things that matter,
they're often just waiting for someone to go first.*