Devotion

Pleasant View Baptist Church ● Scripture: Nehemiah 7:1-2

“Now it came to pass, when the wall was built, and I had set up the doors, and the porters and the singers and the Levities were appointed, That I gave my brother Hanani, and Hananiah the ruler of the palace, charge over Jerusalem: for he was a faithful man, and feared God above many.”

**What will you leave behind?**

Reading this scripture I think of Hananiah and his responsibility of being the gate keeper over Jerusalem. I am sure doing such had to be a great honor for him. However, the scripture explains that Hananiah was an individual who was a faithful man and feared God above many.

We live in a day and time where individuals attempt to acquire many things. In doing so, we also try to acquire money. Many individuals desire to leave their possessions behind to love ones once their time is finished here on Earth. There is nothing wrong with this mindset. However, I think about what Hananiah left behind for his loved ones once his time was up here on Earth. Hananiah left behind memoires of being an individual who was faithful and feared God.

Both of my grandfathers are deceased and left behind some items for me. One grandfather left me a small wooden top that could spin on the floor if released properly. My other grandfather left me a Remington 1100 12 gage shotgun. I enjoy pulling these items out from time to time. However, I really enjoy reflecting on what my grandfathers represented. I am thankful they left me much more than a wooden top and a shotgun. I am thankful they left me the memories of being individuals who were faithful and feared God.

Friends, what will we leave behind?  
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