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**A Heavenly
Legacy Plan**

Did you know...



- 1** There are over 2,300 Bible verses that speak on the topic of money?
- 2** That over 15% of Jesus' own words in the Bible were about money?
- 3** That 11 of Jesus' 39 parables in the Bible included Him speaking specifically about money?
- 4** That most of us are primarily focused on "Earthly Financial Accounts?"
- 5** Jesus spoke about one account not defined in Webster's Dictionary...
 - It's your heavenly account

God is very clear on this topic in His Word...

Matthew 6:19–21

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.





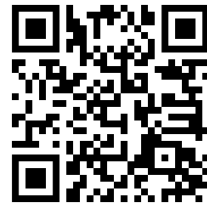
HEAVENLY LEGACY ESTATE PLANNING



What Should My Goals for Legacy Planning Include?

It is prudent to consider the following questions to help you set goals and outline and frame your Legacy plan:

- Where and to whom do you want your assets to go?
- Who do you want to have control of your dependents and raise them?
- Who will carry out your wishes if you are unable to?
- What is most important to you when passing down money to heirs?
- What are your faith-based goals?
- Have you discussed your goals, values, intentions, and wishes with those closest to you?



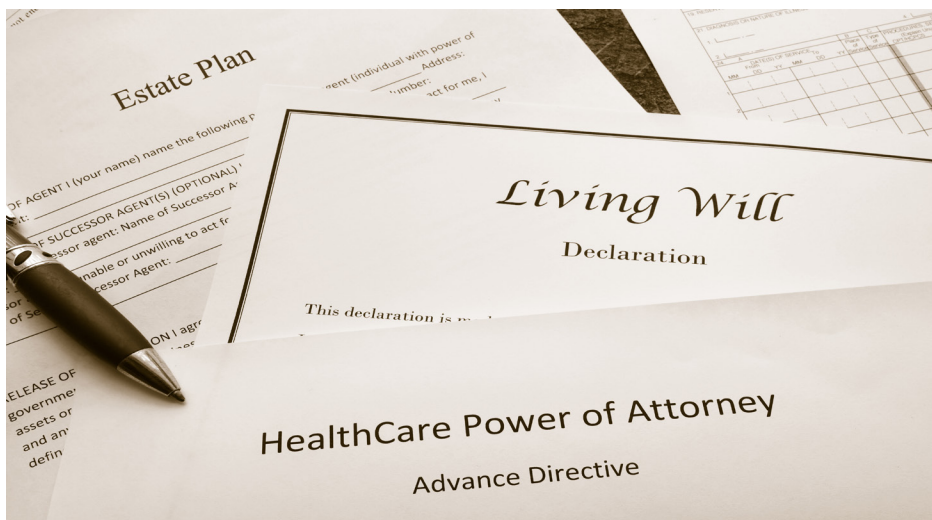
- When were your beneficiary designations and estate holdings last updated?
- Are your assets properly titled?
- Have you considered creating a retirement income distribution plan with a legacy in mind?
- Have you constructed your plan to pay the least amount possible in tax and secure a higher state value?
- Does your estate have sufficient liquidity to meet tax, final expenses, and other obligations?
- Is your documentation cataloged, notarized, and easily accessible?



“*I’m saved and can’t wait to meet Jesus, but most people don’t like to think about their physical passing. We need to pray and have a plan to create and/or update our financial legacy.*”

Legacy Preparation Considerations:

- Define how, when, and where your assets will be distributed so that the wealth transfer process is not left to chance or does not go against your wishes.
- Create strategies and structures that maximize the way assets are distributed while staying true to your values and faith, such as through charitable contributions.
- Update beneficiary designations.
- Use all legal tools available to you to minimize the amount of tax your estate will pay.
- Provide protection for your gifted heirs in the event of your passing, an illness, or injury.
- Carry out your wishes in the event you are unable to do so.
- Keep your financial affairs private.
- Prepare the beneficiary(s) to take on the wealth you have created and carry out your legacy.



Essential Legacy Planning Tools:

Powers of Attorney for Health Care & Property

- Allow you to designate an individual to make health care decisions for you when you are unable to do so yourself.
- Eliminates any potential for "Internal family conflicts," by designating the person(s) you desire to make those decisions for you. You can even choose 2 different people, one for Health Care and one for Property decisions, if you so choose.
- Anyone between the age of 18 and 118 should give thought to creating these documents.

Living Wills and Advanced Directives

- Allow you to define your wishes regarding end of life care and the use, or not, of life-sustaining devices when you are no longer able to communicate these wishes yourself.
- Provides security and comfort to your family and to your health care agents that the decisions they may be making on your behalf are in agreement with your wishes.

Wills

- Allow you to define to whom your assets will be distributed upon your passing so that the wealth transfer process is not left to chance and does not go against your wishes.
- Allow you to nominate a representative to represent your intentions and wishes in the execution of the distribution of your legacy.
- Allow you to nominate a guardian for your minor children or other dependents upon your passing so that the physical, emotional, financial, and spiritual development is not left to chance and does not go against your wishes.
- Private agreements that do not require judicial oversight and that are private from third-parties and creditors that may otherwise make claims against your legacy.
- Tax mitigating strategies.

Trusts

- Are powerful and versatile legacy planning tools.
- Allow you to define how, when, and to whom your assets will be distributed based on the timing of your choice so that the wealth transfer process is not left to chance and does not go against your wishes.
- They are NOT only for the rich, but are a "Tool of the Intelligent."
- Create strategies and structures that maximize the way assets are distributed while staying true to your values and faith, such as through charitable contributions.
- Create strategies and structures to prepare your beneficiary(s) to take on the wealth you have created and carry out their legacy. Private agreements that do not require judicial oversight and that are private from third-parties and creditors that may otherwise make claims against your legacy.

- Tax mitigating strategies. The less you give to the government, the more you give to heirs and God.

Other Documents

- A thorough legacy plan will have other documents to best suit the needs of the individual grantor. Documents like HIPAA Releases, Bills of Sale and Transfer Deeds to a trust, Small Estate Affidavits, Certifications of Trust, Funeral Arrangements, etc. can all be integrated into a thorough legacy plan to guarantee that all eventualities are covered and that your legacy continues to stay true to your wishes, your values, and your faith.
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So many people don't ever even ponder the question, "Why?"

"Why," for example, do so many people give governing bodies more of your estate funds in taxes when those funds could be used to further the cause of Christ around the globe?

Why create a plan for not just your estate but how it will be administered and who will be entrusted to carry out your wishes exactly as you prayed about and envisioned?

The Bible is very clear about the handling, saving and dispersement of money, and we're encouraged to accumulate, grow and build wealth while the Lord still allows us to and while we still can. We also are called to be good stewards and we hope & pray that the counsel we've extended thus far has been both a blessing and helpful to you.

This overview was partially developed by a saved and faithful man of God who is a practicing Illinois Attorney and Illinois Bar Member whose area of expertise includes Legacy and Estate planning.

Chances are that planning for your legacy will require input from professionals with legal, tax, investment, and insurance experience.

We here at *InGrace* want to encourage you to, again, prayerfully consider partnering now with us and also bequeathing all or a portion of your estate to see the Kingdom grow and to be a conduit to more souls being saved.

InGrace will make one solemn promise to you: We will steward every penny you commit to only further the cause of Christ, share the clear gospel at every turn and, if even only one more soul is saved, it will have been worth all of the time and effort invested.



InGrace is a member in good standing of the ECFA (Evangelical Counsel for Financial Accountability)

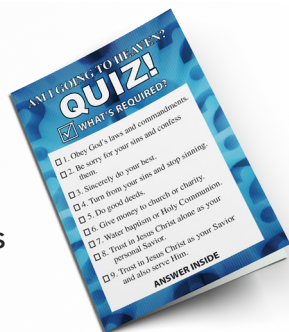
Philippians 4:17

Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account.



Investing in the Gospel

Just like tithing, investing in the gospel is a command. Mark 16:15 tells us that we are to go into all the world and preach the gospel to everyone. We are called to this—even if it means contributing financially to send someone else. We at *InGrace* take that verse and command literally, the salvation of all is God's No.1 priority, and is shared by Pastor Jim Scudder and every member of the *InGrace* team!



Every time you financially support a missionary or a ministry whose focus is spreading the gospel, you are making a deposit into your heavenly account.

Another area where you can invest in the gospel is by supporting ministries that are assigned the job of teaching God's people how to share the gospel and train future generations to do the same.

Teaching ministries have a great responsibility placed on them by God, and the return for supporting these ministries is great here and in Heaven.

Any investment expert will be quick to tell you that the most productive form of investing is a steady, regular investment into a solid enterprise yielding tangible returns. There is nothing more solid than God's work and seeing new souls saved each and every day. We urge you to partner with *InGrace* by becoming a regular "investor," if you are not already, and co-labor to be a partner in the bountiful and heavenly yield that will be attributed to you in Heaven.



Ministry Outreaches of *InGrace*:

1 TV, DIGITAL, STREAMING, INTERNET, RADIO

Programming and broadcasting, with the clear gospel on every episode, seen and heard on over 500 TV and Radio stations around the globe, including weekly on TBN, the world's largest Christian television network

2 CHURCH PLANTING & PASTORAL SUPPORT

An integral part of dozens of new church plants and revived churches, here in the U.S. and around the globe. Providing pastors with support & training as shepherding becomes more challenging with each passing day

3 SIMPLESTEPS ADDICTION RECOVERY

In 2022, Developed an entirely new curriculum, video series, and support system for those struggling with stubborn habits and addictions

4 GLOBAL MISSION OUTREACH

Currently supporting numerous missionaries, orphanages, Bible Colleges, and local pastors around the world

5 DAYSPRING BIBLE COLLEGE

Students from over a dozen countries around the globe today attend and learn to serve in full-time Christian ministry

6 PRISON MINISTRY

Offering hope, guidance, and resources to incarcerated individuals, helping them find redemption, transformation, and salvation within the prison system

7 LOCAL CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

Training up, as we speak, the next generation of Christian leaders in preschool, K-12 Christian schools, and learning disability tutoring programs where the gospel is shared with unsaved children, parents, and family members, seeing countless souls saved and new laborers developed.



Become an *InGrace* Partner

Ways to join *InGrace* or enhance your current support to grow your Heavenly Account:

- Establish a recurring monthly support-gift program
- Provide a one-time Legacy, Missions, Addiction Recovery, Bible College, Pastoral Support, Prison Support, Church Planting, Scholarship and/or Endowment gift
- Create a Legacy event to make *InGrace* a beneficiary to share in a portion of your estate to continue seeing souls saved when you are with the Lord and until we meet again
- Contribute a one-time support gift
- Support the ministry through product and merchandise purchases on ingrace.us
- Most importantly, please pray for Pastor Jim, the team, and the *InGrace* Ministry



"My wife is Muslim, I am Christian. I like watching your channel. My wife never watched it with me. Today I saw her watching the program "*InGrace*". She asked me when the next program will be. I pray for her to be saved one day."

Maxim — Ukraine



*Everything that comes to us comes through the
hand of God and has His stamp of approval.*

—Dr. James A. Scudder



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