

Create a Family Legacy

Psalm 78:2-4 "I will open my mouth in parables, I will utter hidden things, things from of old- what we have heard and known, what our fathers have told us. We will not hide them from their children; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done."

We often think of a "Legacy" as passing along our possessions or money. While those things may soon be used or lost, what can be a "Living Legacy" are the stories and recordings sharing our history, our memories, that bring laughter or share valuable lessons that can benefit today's generation.

Here are some sample questions to stimulate conversations, to preserve your special Family Legacy!

1. What were your favorite activities as a child?
2. What did you do to celebrate birthdays or holidays?
3. Tell me about your favorite school subject, grade in school or teacher!
4. How did you get to school? (Walk, bus, bike) How far was it?
5. If you played sports, what position did you play? Biggest highlight?
6. Describe the most unique, amazing or unusual memory you have during your life?
7. What was the biggest "event" you ever attended? Best memory of it?
8. Name 3 people that had the greatest influence on you. What did you learn from them?
9. What was the best advice you ever received? Who gave it to you?
10. What are the most exciting or fun things you've ever done?
11. What silly or fun talent did you have or still possess?
12. What was your best vacation ever? What made that special?
13. Where was the most incredible place you have traveled?
14. Describe your first job. How old were you?
15. What was the worst job you ever had? What made it so bad?
16. What did you dream about doing when you were growing up?
17. How and when did you meet your spouse? What attracted you to them?
18. If married, tell about your first date and the engagement.
19. What was the most challenging goal you ever set for yourself and accomplished...or came close?
20. If you moved from another country, what prompted you to come to America?
21. What are the major life changing events in your life?
22. Did you serve in the military? What can you tell us about your experiences?
23. Who had the greatest impact on your Christian faith? Explain!
24. What are your favorite bible verses? Why are they special?
25. Describe any miracle, "It's a God thing", you have experienced!

Suggestions:

- Record or write answers and give to grandkids.
- Let children pick from the list – take turns asking questions on trips, reunions, dinner.
- Use a camcorder or phone to record answers to preserve memories.
- Ask a few questions every time you call parents or grandparents.
- Compile a list of questions unique to your family.