

# Leaving A Successful Legacy

1 Chronicles 28:2-5, 9-10 (ESV)

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## 1. Accept that you can't do **EVERYTHING** that you **WANT**.

*1 Chronicles 28:2-3<sup>2</sup> ...I had it in my heart to build a house of rest for the ark of the covenant of the Lord and for the footstool of our God, and I made preparations for building.<sup>3</sup> But God said to me, 'You may not build a house for my name, for you are a man of war and have shed blood.'*

*Isaiah 55:8-9<sup>8</sup> For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord.<sup>9</sup> For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.*

## 2. Recognize God's **work** in your life.

*1 Chronicles 28:4-5<sup>4</sup> Yet the Lord God of Israel chose me from all my father's house to be king over Israel forever. For he chose Judah as leader, and in the house of Judah my father's house, and among my father's sons he took pleasure in me to make me king over all Israel.<sup>5</sup> And of all my sons (for the Lord has given me many sons) he has chosen Solomon my son to sit on the throne of the kingdom of the Lord over Israel.*

*Proverbs 3:5–6<sup>5</sup> Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. <sup>6</sup> In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.*

### **3. Prioritize seeking God.**

*1 Chronicles 28:9–10<sup>9</sup> “And you, Solomon my son, know the God of your father and serve him with a whole heart and with a willing mind, for the Lord searches all hearts and understands every plan and thought. If you seek him, he will be found by you, but if you forsake him, he will cast you off forever. <sup>10</sup> Be careful now, for the Lord has chosen you to build a house for the sanctuary; be strong and do it.”*

*Matthew 20:28<sup>28</sup> “even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”*