

A Chronicle Of Legacy

2 Kings 2:1-14

Dodging Death

- Only two people have been immediately ushered into the presence of God:
 - Enoch
 - Elijah
- Elijah knew he was going to be taken away.
- Elijah's friends thought Elijah would simply die like every other human.
- Elijah spent his last days taking a tour of the countryside.

People Are Significant

- Our lives are shaped by the people around us, and we help to shape the lives of people around us.
- Elijah had a special relationship with Elisha.
- Elijah poured himself into Elisha for more than ten years.
- We have an opportunity to pour ourselves into the lives of others.
- The people who poured themselves out for us, and those for whom we pour ourselves out are significant to the legacy we leave.

Places Are Significant

- Elijah visited four of the most important places in the history of Israel:
 - Gilgal
 - Gilgal is where the Israelites camped just after they crossed the Jordan River.
 - It was a place of safety and security.
 - Bethel
 - Bethel was the first place that Abraham built an altar.
 - It was a place of prayer and worship.
 - Jericho
 - Jericho was the place of battle, and perhaps Elijah relived the battles of his own life when he went there.
 - Jordan River.
 - Jordan represented where the Hebrew people came from, and it represented the fullness of God's promise.
 - Elijah remembered the many times God faithfully delivered him.

Conclusion

- The significance of our faith to our legacy can only be measured by how significant we make it a priority in life.
- Elisha passed the test and caught a glimpse of the power of legacy.
- We cannot pass on the legacy of faith if faith has not been the priority in our lives.
- My task is to help us grow in discipleship; to become more Christ-like.