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Perhaps for the first time in history, there is enough wealth amongst Evangelical Christians in the United States alone to fund the fulfillment of the Great Commission (Matthew 28:16-20). As we approach the end of the age, Christians have an unprecedented opportunity to change the world through their charitable and estate gifts. *Leaving A Lasting Legacy* will inspire you to look at your financial resources as a set of tools which can impact the world with the message of the Gospel. The purpose of this book is twofold. First, it is meant to give the reader a basic understanding of the estate and gift planning process. Secondly, it is meant to inspire those with a Christian Worldview to look at their estate resources as a set of tools which can impact the world with the message of the Gospel. The book is split into five chapters. Chapter 1, entitled *A Lasting Inheritance*, introduces the concept of Biblical Estate Planning. Chapter 2, *Estate Planning Essentials*, gives the reader the nuts and bolts of the legal issues surrounding estate planning. Chapter 3, *Health Care Planning Health Care Directives*, takes an in-depth look at the legal and practical issues during incapacity. Chapter 4, *Great Commission Estate Gift Planning*, explores the impact of charitable giving at home and around the globe. Lastly, Chapter 5, *Leaving a Legacy*, encourages the reader to pass on their eternal values to the next generation.

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