

SERIES: FULFILLING THE LEGACY

MESSAGE: A Future-Focused Faith

TEXT: Ezra 3:10-13

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On Sunday, May 9, Mother's Day, we are going to bring our offerings and commitments to the Lord's house for one of the most strategic buildings we will ever build on our campus.



Our new Children's Building is going to help us to reach the young families and children of the Lakeway area for Christ.

One of the reasons I love to talk about building this Children's Building is because it forces us to look to the future ...

Our children are our future!

Background to our text:

For 70 years Israel lived in captivity at the hands of the Babylonians.

During that time, the Persians, under the rule of Cyrus, defeated the Babylonians.

He decreed that the Jews could go back to their homeland and rebuild their temple.

There are five principles in this story that will help us see why it is so vital that we possess a future-focused faith.

Churches with a future-focused faith will be able to overcome and avoid ...

I. DISUNITY (3:13)

II. DISCOURAGEMENT (4:4-5)

III. DELAYS (4:23-24)

IV. DETERMINATION (5:1-5)

V. DEVOTION (6:16-18 & 21-22)

First Baptist Church Morristown - it's time to go on to the next hole !