

Hi, I'm Crawford Loritts with a Legacy Moment.

Not long ago, I received an email from an old friend who heard me on the radio. His name is Bob Turton. He wrote me a wonderful, long email, bringing me up to speed on his family and his ministry. You see, we hadn't been in contact with each other for over 20 years. During my first year in college Bob spent a lot of time with me. He prayed with me regularly. He encouraged me. Bob was not much older than I was, but he was pastoring a church, and he gave me opportunities to preach. God used him to invest in my life at a critical point in my development.

Sometimes I think we're so busy moving ahead that we unintentionally forget from whence we've come. Let's face it. God has used wonderful people in all of our lives to launch us on our pilgrimage, and to nurture us along the way.

I love Romans chapter 16, verses 3 through 15. I used to read this and say, "Oh, that's just all the little details about people and friendships. Then it dawned on me how Paul really valued the people who touched his life. I just want to read off the first line of several of these verses. He says, "Greet Prisca for me. Greet Mary for me. Greet Herodion for me. Greet Tryphaena for me. Greet Philologus for me." Paul just lists these people by name—26 in all. Tell them that I said, "Hi." Tell them that I haven't forgotten about them. I just want to let them know that I appreciate them.

Here's what I want you to remember and do today. Make a list of the people who meant a lot to your spiritual development. Write them a note. Give them a call. Let them know how much you love and appreciate them.