



Striving Together

Growing the Church in Biblical Stewardship

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2 Corinthians 9:6-7

But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

Introduction: _____

**I. Determine the _____ for
teaching on giving.**

A. Obedience to _____

B. The _____ of Men

C. The _____ of God

D. A _____ Vision

**II. Determine a biblical _____
for challenging God's people.**

A. By the _____ of God

2 Corinthians 5:14

For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead.

B. By the _____ of God

2 Timothy 2:1

Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

C. By the _____ of God

2 Timothy 3:16-17

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

Why Teach Biblical Stewardship?

1. Because Jesus did

2. Because stewardship is a major theme of the Bible

3. Because Christians remain immature in their faith until they understand biblical stewardship

D. With the _____ of God

Hebrews 10:24-25

And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

E. With _____ Involvement

1 Chronicles 29:3

Moreover, because I have set my affection to the house of my God, I have of mine own proper good, of gold and silver, which I have given to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house.

III. Determine a pattern for _____.

A. Raise money for _____ transformation.

B. Have well-defined _____.

C. Inspire _____ givers.

D. Make no substitutes for _____.

E. _____ communicate your vision.

F. Tell _____ story.

G. Have others tell _____ stories.

H. Remember money is for the _____
ministry.

I. Dream for _____.

J. Listen _____ and prepare

strategically.

K. Keep people _____.

L. Stay involved in _____.

IV. Determine the _____ of giving.

A. _____ regular giving.

1 Corinthians 16:1

Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye.

B. Conduct an annual _____ month.

C. Conduct an annual _____ Conference.

D. Develop a Stewardship _____ for special projects.

1. Have a specific scope of work in mind.

2. Begin planning months in advance.

3. Seek counsel and get ideas.

4. Place your plan on the calendar.

5. Develop a leadership team.

6. Share your vision with various groups within the church.

7. Share your vision with the whole church.

8. Insist on excellence.

9. Teach the Scriptural basis for special offerings.

10. Receive a one-time offering and commitments.

11. Communicate often about how dollars are used for ministry.

12. Don't guarantee a certain project total cost.

13. Be careful about setting goals for the offering.

14. Enjoy the journey.

15. Give thanks to the Lord.

V. Determine a _____ for communication.

A. _____ envelopes quarterly.

B. Have designated _____ on envelopes.

C. Have _____ updates a few times each year.

D. Place stewardship _____ in the bulletin several weeks per year.

VI. Emphasize _____ stewardship and oversight.

A. Have _____ written policies for handling funds.

B. Conduct annual _____ or audits of your books.

C. Develop a _____ budget.

D. Require staff to _____ and to keep their budget.

E. Use fixed price contracts.

F. Insist on _____ bids for major purchases.

Conclusion: _____
