



What is stewardship?

It's a wonderful word that describes how a follower of Jesus Christ faithfully travels through this life! God's word is always at the center! The goal of stewardship ministry is to help God's people grow in our relationship with Jesus through the use of the time, talents, and finances God has entrusted to us.

What it's not? ≠ What the congregation does to get some of my money out of my pocket and into the offering plate OR
≠ Those things we have to do to get enough money to pay the bills

Why? God gives us in order to help others! It all belongs to God. We are the stewards; there's no transfer of ownership; God's still the owner. So we are accountable to God and we have a responsibility to creation to share God's resources.

*Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.
1 Peter 4:10*

Stewardship is not optional if we're faithful Christians! God's Word must be at the center of all that we do!



Did you know?

- ♥ Jesus talks a lot about money and possessions. In fact, he talks about money and possessions more than prayer, his death, and forgiveness. He talks more about money than any other topic, except the kingdom of God itself.
- ♥ That you are considered rich? Even if you don't consider yourself wealthy, you are! We all are!
- ♥ Tithing is Biblical and means giving a designated percentage (usually 10% minimum) of your income to the church's mission and ministry
 - ♥ Giving ≠ tithing; some people call their giving "tithing" but tithing is an intentional, faithful, proportional & prayerful discernment of God's gifts
- ♥ Tithing should grow proportionately each year and not just be what I gave last year. It should be given even when you are absent. Our mission & ministries are needed every week regardless of whether you're in worship

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give **thanks** for you as I remember you in my prayers. **Ephesians 1:15-16**