

Stewardship Principles

Principles That Make a Difference

Principle #4 Our Giving Must Be Consistent

I Corinthians 16:1-4

- The collection was for the poor saints at Jerusalem.
- Each believer was to put something aside on the first day of each week.
- The "putting aside" was to be a continuous or habitual action: "Let it be your habit to put something aside for the collection."
- It was to be done on a consistent basis - each Sunday or first day of the week.
- Question: How much was a believer to put aside?
- Answer: As God prosper him



2 Corinthians 9:7

Principle #5 Giving Must Be Done on Purpose

*"Let each one give as he **PURPOSES** in his heart."*

- Like other disciplines of the Christian life we must have a plan to give.
- The word translated "purpose" has the idea of determining or deciding beforehand.
- Purpose right now to give a percentage of your increase to the LORD.

Principle #6 Giving Must Be Done with The Right Attitude

"Don't give grudgingly or out of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver."

- Our attitude is important in giving.
- grudgingly = literally, don't give out of sorrow or pain.
- In other words, don't be one who is sorry to part with his money.
- Giving should not be a painful chore.
- Do not give with the attitude that "I am merely fulfilling an obligation."
- The reason we should not give grudgingly or of necessity: God loves a cheerful giver.

LESSONS FOR OUR LIVES:

1. We must give consistently.
2. We must plan to give.
3. We must give with the right attitude.