

HOW MUCH SHOULD I GIVE?

The Bible talks of tithing....giving
a tenth.

GOD is a BIG God, who cares. He thinks BIG
for each of us. He is the God of the whole
universe.
He has the earth in the hollow of His hand.

The great events of history pass before His
eyes. He provides mightily for us.
He gives....and keeps on giving.
Remember the Cross.
To show we CARE, WE must think BIG too.

REMEMBER....The poor Widow's Gift wasn't small.
Christ praised her BIG gift.
She gave ALL she had.

With courageous thinking and planning we will
find - as others have - that what seems
impossible - CAN BE DONE...when our heart is
in it....
"With God, all things are possible."

WHY MAKE A PLEDGE?

In any important matter, a man can't afford to
drift along. REAL giving to God IS important.
A worthy pledge keeps us from drifting.
To decide "I will try to give THIS SUM each
week" shows we are serious about our Church
and its work. It's the same as saying - "I WILL
DO ALL I CAN TO HELP."

Please take this home with you.

GOLDEN SQUARE METHODIST CHURCH

ORDER OF SERVICE

FOR THE

COMMISSIONING OF STEWARDSHIP COUNSELLORS

CHURCH FAMILY DINNER

Friday, 8th November, 1963.

COMMISSIONING OF STEWARDSHIP COUNSELLORS.

The Minister shall request all Stewardship Counsellors to come forward.

Minister: We have met here in the presence of God that we may commission these our brethren to the leadership of our Stewardship Programme.

These men have accepted responsibility of Stewardship themselves, not merely to be servants of men but primarily to be servants of God.

They have been appointed to these positions of responsibility and now stand ready to pledge their goodwill and earnest intent to the carrying out of the duties with which the Church is now entrusting them.

Let us in turn, pledge them our support and earnestly pray God's blessing upon them.

Let us Pray

Minister and congregation together:

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee that Thou hast called us into Thy Church and entrusted us with the great plans and duties of Thy Kingdom on earth. Grant the fellowship of the Holy Spirit to ~~us~~ these Thy servants whom we acknowledge as Leaders of this programme; endue them with heavenly wisdom that, in counselling, they may deal wisely as those who have the mind of Christ; and so use their devotion and consecration that Thy Church may be blessed and Thy name glorified. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

Minister: It is the duty of one who has been chosen for a place of leadership in the Church to work with his fellows as a wise counsellor and a faithful disciple.

You will have the special task of fostering the principle of Stewardship, to carry on the work of God.

Above all, so far as this may prove possible, we ask you yourself to be an example of one who is loyal and devoted in carrying out the work of the Church.

THE CONGREGATION WILL NOW STAND

And now, having well considered the nature and purpose of the task to which you have been called, will you accept the office of a Stewardship Counsellor with a sense of high responsibility?

Response: I do, the Lord being my Helper.

Minister: Brethren, in the name of the Church, I commission you to visit the people of this Church. Call them to a deep commitment of themselves to their Christian Faith, that God's work may be done more effectively in this community, through this congregation.

May the Lord help you to carry out this sacred trust. May He grant you love, understanding and ability to lead His people into a richer and deeper commitment to Christ and His Church.

Members of the congregation, prepare yourselves thoughtfully and prayerfully for their visit. As they ask you for your dedication and service, may you be inspired to express your stewardship of God's gifts with a glad and generous response.

Congregation: We pledge ourselves to receive these men with Christian friendliness and understanding. They have been set apart for this highly important service to our Lord and this congregation. They are our Brethren and God's co-workers with us.

Minister: "Now to Him who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think"

People: "To Him be glory in the Church and in Jesus Christ to all generations for ever and ever.

AMEN..