

“Christian Stewardship”
1 Corinthians 16:1-4
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There are at least 2,350 passages in the Bible dealing with money and material possessions. That’s more than on any other subject.

Matthew 6:21

Acts 20:35

When it is wrong to Preach on Giving:

1. It is wrong to preach on giving in order to manipulate people by way of emotions:
2. It is wrong to preach on giving to manipulate people to give by way of pressure:
3. It is wrong to preach on giving in order to use money for selfish projects and not needs:
4. It is wrong for a ministry to preach on giving that is not willing to be accountable:

Stewardship – “Is one that manages, or has oversight over the affairs of another, he does not own that which he has been entrusted with but manages it as if it is his own”

7 Principles On Christian Stewardship:

1. Giving is by believer to the church:

1 Corinthians 16:1

1 Corinthians 15:58

Collection – means “to say something”

Acts 11:29-30

2 Corinthians. 8-9 and 1 Corinthians 16:1-4 Are passages dealing with the giving of this offering to the saints at Jerusalem.

1. Giving Is By The Believers To The Church:

Acts 20:35

1 Corinthians. 12:26

1 Corinthians 16:2

2. Giving Is An Act Of Worship: On the first day of every week

Acts 20:7

2 Corinthians 9:7

Cheerful is the word we get "Hilarious" from.

3. Giving Is A Personal Act: let each one of you

2 Corinthians 9:7

2 Corinthians. 8:1-2

Mark 12:41-44

4. Giving Is To Determined Before Hand: put aside and save, (KJV lay by him in store Literally "Let everyone of you treasure up a precious thing"

John 12

Luke 16:11

**5. Giving Should Be Proportionate: as he may prosper,
The word prosper – “good journey”**

2 Corinthians 9:6

Luke 6:38

2 Corinthians. 8:12

**6. Giving Should Not Be Under Pressure: that no
collections be made when I come.**

Matthew 6:3-4

1 Corinthians 16:3

**7. Giving Should Be To A Ministry Of Integrity: And when I
arrive, whomever you may approve,**

1 Corinthians 16:4

Application:

1. If teaching on giving is presented Biblically no Christian should ever have a bad attitude about it:
2. Giving is a lifestyle; it is not just a one-week experience.
3. Tithing is an Old Testament Law teaching, surely the Christian of the New Testament thru Grace not only starts there but because of grace experiences liberation in their giving:
4. I need to ask myself am I giving God what is rightfully His? Are there always resources for me and not for God?