Financial Church Generosity Online Course Health Session 2

Step 1 - TRAIN

Watch the Church Generosity Session 2 video, which includes teaching on the 7 Keys to Joyful Living and Giving, giving stats and facts, and cartoons.

Step 2 - DIG & DISCUSS

Each person should share at least one thing they found interesting, encouraging or enlightening from the Generous Life devotional, 7 Keys to Joyful Living and Giving video teaching, or the giving statistics and cartoons.

7 Keys to Joyful Living and Giving

- 1. *Submit* yourself and all you have to the Lord 2 Corinthians 8:5; Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 10:39, 19:27-29
- 2. *Study* the Scriptures on finances/generosity Psalm 119:37; 2 Timothy 3:17
- 3. See what God has provided (your time, talent, treasure and things)
 Matthew 6:33; Ecclesiastes 2:26; Exodus 35:5; 1 Corinthians 12; 2 Corinthians 8:12
- 4. Set aside resources from God's provisions and financial blessings 1 Corinthians 16:2; Deuteronomy 14:22
- 5. *Systematically* give (to your church, missions, ministries and the needy) Proverbs 3:9-10; Genesis 28:20-22; Deuteronomy 18:4; Malachi 3:8-10
- 6. *Spontaneously* give as the Lord leads you Acts 4:32-37; John 6:9; Exodus 35: 21
- 7. Simplify your life to become more generous
 1 Timothy 6:6-8, 17-19; Acts 4:37; Mark 14:3-5; 1 Chronicles 29:2-9

Giving Charts

- 1. Kluth Rule of Thirds: 1/3 give \$0, 1/3 give <\$500, and 1/3 give >\$500.
- 2. Today's richer Americans give less than during the Great Depression.
- 3. 60 percent started giving 10 percent or more in their childhood, teens or 20s.
- 4. Only 5-10 percent of Christians have their church or charities in their estate plans.

Step 3 - AFTER THE MEETING

- Start or complete your reading of the 40-day Generous Life devotional (available at GenerousLifeDevo.org).
- The pastor needs to complete Session 2 After the Meeting feedback questions at <u>NAEfinancialhealth.online.</u>

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NAEfinancialhealth.org 37 Best Practices & 172 Resources for PASTORS/LEADERS on **CHURCH GENEROSITY WORSHIP SERVICES** Financial/Generosity preaching (10) Weekly generosity verse (5) Leader's generosity prayer (8) Songs on giving/generosity/serving (2) Testimony or teaching videos (5) Digital giving available (6) Giving envelopes available (2) Finance/generosity guest speaker (2) TEACHING MATERIALS Financial courses/classes/groups (10) 30/40 Day generosity devotionals (3) 11 Videos on website or eNewsletters (3) 12 Flyers, cartoons, bulletin inserts (5) 13 Legacy/wills/trust initiatives (4) **DONATION ADMINISTRATION** Online/EFT giving (9) Digital giving text, phone APP (9) Donated assets gifts-in-kind info (3) 17 Giving statements sent out (3) 18 Giving statements add'l materials (10) 19 Communicate w/new givers, etc. (1) 20 "As God Provides" projects (2) 21 Treasurer's giving report #'s report (1) 22 Policies document (3) 23 Training for pastor, staff, leaders (10) ASSISTANCE/GUIDANCE Church family benevolence (2) Community benevolence (2) 26 Budget/debt coaches/counselors (6) 27 Unemployed/underemployed help (2) 28 Financial professional referrals (2) 29 Ministry to giving leaders (5) **COLLECTIONS/CAMPAIGNS** Annual stewardship emphasis (3) 31 Pastor/s appreciation offering (8) Benevolence offerings (2) 33 Missions offerings (4) Building or renovation projects (9)

(#) = Available online best practices resources

Year-End giving emphasis (4)
"As God Provides" projects (2)
Community Outreach (3)