



Enjoy Giving

“Giving is spirituality made real”

Principles of giving

- It is an act of worship
- It is a sign of our responsibility
- It is a credit posted in heaven (Philippians 4:7)
- It will help you live a fuller life

The cost of giving

- Change of mindset
- Change of heart
- Change of direction

Attitudes to giving

Mark 12:43-44 - a right heart

Matthew 6:2-4 - ‘giving privately’

2 Corinthians 9:7 - cheerfully

How do I become more generous?

Start small

Build up a sustainable pattern of regular giving

Be deliberate, not just impulse giving

Give to causes and people that mean most to you

- Church community
- Charities you’re particularly interested in



How much should I give?

How much is not as important as how we give it.

2 Corinthians 9:6-7

“Gain all you can, without hurting either yourself or your neighbour, in soul or body, by applying hereto with unintermitted diligence, and with all the understanding which God has given, you; save all you can by cutting off every expense which serves only to indulge foolish desire...waste nothing...and then, give all you can, or, in other words, give all you have to God. Do not stint yourself ... to this or that proportion. Render unto God, not a tenth, not a third, not half, but all that is God's, be it more or less; by employing all on yourself, your household, the household of faith and all mankind, in such a manner, that you may give a good account of your stewardship, when ye can be no longer stewards.”

John Wesley

Conversation Questions

What might you do to lead a more/an even more generous life?

What struggles do you have with giving?

Think through how you currently use your money, how does it reveal your values and priorities?

Consider what, if anything, you want to change.