



The
Struggle
is real

A Guide to Prayerful Stewardship

See the scripture passages on the backside for further spiritual guidance

Day One:

Today, think about your income and all that it represents—warm home, delicious food, effective education, purposeful car, comfortable furniture, family entertainment, and personal security. Thank God in prayer for what God has provided you.

My income is \$_____ per _____

Day Two:

Today, think about Trietsch and how your faith is enriched here. Think about the lives our church touches for children, youth, and adults. Think about our mission outreach and our wonderful worship experiences. Think about how our church leads people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ. Thank God in prayer for the ministry of Trietsch.

My present offering is \$_____ per _____

Day Three:

Most of us can step up in our giving. Look at the chart provided to find your present giving level. What would it mean to increase your giving? Remember, God never asks us to do anything more than we can—simply our best. Thank God for offering the best thing—his Son.

An increase in offering would be \$_____ per _____

Day Four:

Today, think about what it would mean to tithe—literally give God the “first-fruit” of our income. Some feel that tithing means having 10% less. God says, “Put me to the test...see if I will not pour down for you an overflowing blessing.” Consider moving up to the tithe. Thank God for giving us an overflowing blessing in life.

A tithe for me would be \$_____ per _____

Day Five:

Today as you complete your pledge card, ask God for wisdom and guidance. Follow God’s lead, knowing that you want to offer a gift of thanks to God for an amazing life and a wonderful church that makes disciples for Jesus Christ. Thank God that you are a part of what God is doing through Trietsch.

My pledge for 2019 will be \$_____ per _____

Scriptures on Giving

God's Word gives the best advice possible on how we should give!

Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth."
Deuteronomy 8:17 (New Revised Standard Version)

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.
Psalm 24:1 (New Revised Standard Version)

Don't store up treasures here on earth.....Store your treasures in heaven...
Matthew 6:19, 20 (New Living Translation)

The place where your treasure is, is the place you will most want to be, and end up being.
Luke 12:34 (The Message)

If you are really eager to give, it isn't important how much you are able to give.
God wants you to give what you have, not what you don't have.
II Corinthians 8:12 (New Living Translation)

Jesus called his disciples over and said, "The truth is that this poor widow gave more to the collection than all the others put together. All the others gave what they'll never miss; she gave extravagantly what she couldn't afford--she gave her all."
Mark 12:43, 44 (The Message)

Each of you must make up your own mind about how much to give.
But don't feel sorry that you must give and don't feel that you are forced to give. God loves people who love to give.
II Corinthians 9:7 (Contemporary English Version)

...but each must give what he can, in proportion to the blessing which God has bestowed on you.
Deuteronomy 16:17 (New Jerusalem Bible)

Bring to the storehouse a tenth (tithe) of what you gain.... I will pour out more blessings than you have room for.
Malachi 3:10 (New Century Version)

