

Stewardship Moments

September – December 2008

September 7

We must make the invisible kingdom visible in our midst.

John Calvin

September 14

As base a thing as money often is, yet it can be transmuted into everlasting treasure. It can be converted into food for the hungry and clothing for the poor. It can keep a missionary actively winning lost men to the light of the gospel and thus transmute itself into heavenly values. Any temporal possession can be turned into everlasting wealth. Whatever is given to Christ is immediately touched with immortality.

A.W. Tozer

September 21

Every time I take a step in the direction of generosity,
I know I am moving from fear to love.

Henri Nouwen

September 28

I do not believe we can settle how much we ought to give. I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare. **C.S. Lewis**

October 5

We read the gospel as if we had no money and we spend our money as if we know nothing of the gospel. **John Haughey**

October 12

For you know of the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for our sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

2 Corinthians 8:9

October 19

As we dedicate our offerings, we present and dedicate ourselves once more, we proclaim our trust in God's provision, and we remember the firstfruits offering of the cross.

Michele Hershberger

October 26

The tithe is a wonderful goal but a terrible place to stop.

Bill Hybels

November 2

If a person gets his attitude toward money straight, it will help straighten out almost every other area in his life. **Billy Graham**

November 9

We should travel light and live simply. Our enemy is not possessions, but excess.

John Stott

November 16

The aim of stewardship is not to finance the church's annual operating budget, but to change lives. **Ashley Hale**

November 23

For if you are eager to give, God will accept your gift on the basis of what you have to give, not on what you don't have. **2 Corinthians 8:12**

November 30

It is more blessed to give than to receive, but then it is also more blessed to be able to do without than to have to have. **Søren Kierkegaard**

December 7

A life well lived is a life of gift giving. **Miroslav Volf**

December 14

There is a will for our life, other than our own will.
There is a will for our money, other than our own will.
There is freedom in letting go of our own will.

Dr. Walter Brueggemann

December 21

Giving is the thermometer of our love. **Unknown**

December 28

The more generous we are, the more joyous we become. The more cooperative we are, the more valuable we become. The more enthusiastic we are, the more productive we become. The more serving we are, the more prosperous we become.

William A. Ward