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How do I know what I should give?

Of course, financial giving is a personal decision, and ultimately that decision is between you and God. However, the Bible offers some guidance about our financial stewardship.

Did you know that Jesus talked more about money and possessions than any other topic? Read the Gospels and see for yourself! Then be prayerful as you reflect on your financial commitment for 2017 and listen to what God has to say to you. Let God guide your giving.

*The point is this:
the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly...

— 2 Corinthians 9: 6-8



The Tithe

Tithing – the giving of 10% of one's income to God – is an ancient custom still practiced today by many people of faith as a spiritual discipline and a means of expressing commitment to God.

Those who tithe discover that giving can be a source of great joy, and usually they find that 90% of their income is more than enough to live on! Consider taking a leap of faith by making a commitment to tithe this year, or take a step closer to the tithe, using the chart below as a guide.

A Guide to Proportionate Giving: Giving a Portion or Percentage of Income on a weekly basis

Weekly Income	Beyond a Tithe		Tithe	Moving Toward a Tithe								
	15%	12%		10%	9%	8%	7%	6%	5%	4%	3%	2%
\$200	\$30	\$40	\$20	\$18	\$16	\$14	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4	\$2
\$400	\$60	\$48	\$40	\$36	\$32	\$28	\$24	\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$4
\$600	\$90	\$72	\$60	\$54	\$48	\$42	\$36	\$30	\$24	\$18	\$12	\$6
\$700	\$105	\$84	\$70	\$63	\$56	\$49	\$42	\$35	\$28	\$21	\$14	\$7
\$800	\$120	\$96	\$80	\$72	\$64	\$56	\$48	\$40	\$32	\$24	\$16	\$8
\$900	\$135	\$108	\$90	\$81	\$72	\$63	\$54	\$45	\$36	\$27	\$18	\$9
\$1,000	\$150	\$120	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10
\$1,200	\$180	\$144	\$120	\$108	\$96	\$84	\$72	\$60	\$48	\$36	\$24	\$12
\$1,400	\$210	\$168	\$140	\$126	\$112	\$98	\$84	\$70	\$56	\$42	\$28	\$14
\$1,600	\$240	\$192	\$160	\$144	\$128	\$112	\$96	\$80	\$60	\$48	\$32	\$16
\$1,800	\$270	\$216	\$180	\$162	\$144	\$126	\$108	\$90	\$72	\$54	\$36	\$18
\$2,000	\$300	\$240	\$200	\$180	\$160	\$140	\$120	\$100	\$80	\$60	\$40	\$20