

**GENEROSITY RISING:
LEAD A STEWARDSHIP REVOLUTION**



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WE HOLD THESE TRUTHS TO BE SELF EVIDENT...

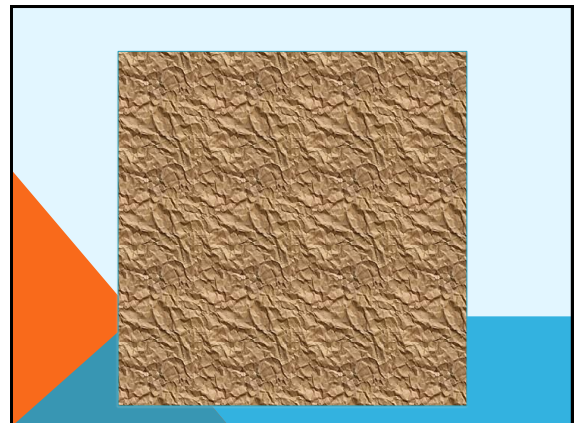
that all people are created in the image of a loving, giving, and generous God. We believe real life, true liberty, and eternal joy are only realized when we live lives of abundant generosity and sacrificial love.



THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

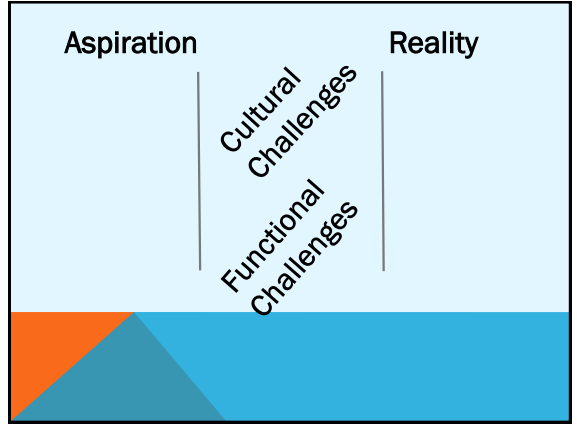
For God so loved the world He gave...

As I gave my money away, I think I may have felt God's pleasure...



WHAT DO I BELIEVE ABOUT STEWARDSHIP AND GENEROSITY?

DOES THE WAY WE PRACTICE STEWARDSHIP AND GENEROSITY REFLECT WHAT I BELIEVE?



ASPIRATIONS
Abundance, Generosity, Vision, Mission, God, Spiritual, Disciples, Life,

CULTURAL	FUNCTIONAL
Lack	Envelopes
Fear	E-giving
Change/Tradition	Statements
Vision	Budgets
Mission	Offering

MY ASPIRATIONS?

THE CULTURAL CHALLENGES?

THE FUNCTIONAL CHALLENGES?

Reality

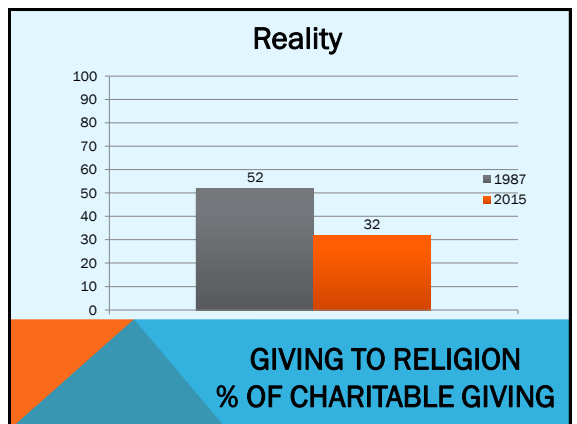
Episcopalians give 2% to charities - 1.1% to religion

Presbyterians give 1.8% to charities - 1.0% to religion

Methodists give 1.6% to charities - 1.0% to religion

Catholics give 1.5% to charities - 0.8% to religion

Facts on Giving in the U.S.
Patrick Rooney, Religious Giving 2010





Our love of stuff keeps us from fully living into God's image and experiencing his pleasure.

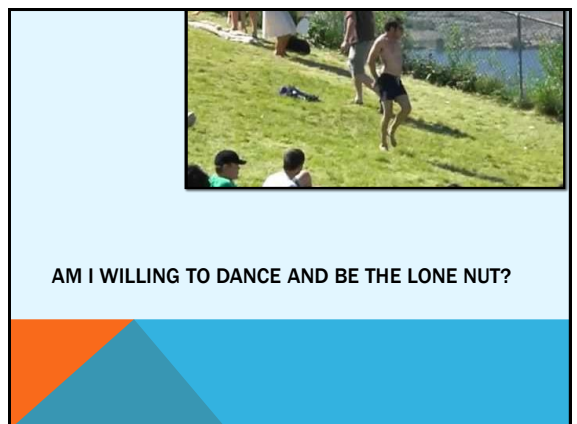
Luke 12:16-21

HOW DO I SEE THE "ENEMY" REFLECTED IN MY OWN LIFE?

IN THE LIFE OF MY CONGREGATION?

LEADERSHIP LESSONS FROM THE DANCING MAN

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fW8amMCVAJQ&t=33s>



WHAT DO I NEED TO CHANGE IF I AM GOING TO GET UP AND DANCE?

WHAT HELP DO I NEED FOR OTHERS?



- A spirituality of gratitude
- A history of generosity
- A commitment to the mission and vision of the church
- Tithing or working towards a tithe
- Willing to witness to the joy of giving

RECRUITING GUIDELINES: WHO

- Gather good information
- Remind them of the big picture
- You ARE NOT recruiting people to raise the budget or ask people for money
- Don't ask for volunteers
- Never say, "don't worry its not a big deal"
- The Generosity Team (not stewardship committee)
- They will be resourced and trained!

RECRUITING GUIDELINES: HOW

- Study and grow as a team
- Plan a year round generosity program
- Regularly demonstrate/teach how money accomplishes the mission and vision of the church
- Regularly tell stories of changed lives
- Provide stewardship teaching for all ages.

RECRUITING GUIDELINES THE WHAT



2 Corinthians 8:2-5

