

West Valley Church of Christ - January 15, 2023

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Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Devotional: 6:30 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP

I direct our attention to the all-important subject of stewardship. To be a good and faithful steward of God, means we will manage our lives and resources to God's glory. The idea of becoming a faithful steward is so imperative that the idea surfaces in the books of Matthew, Mark, and Luke on an average of one out of every six verses. The apostle looked at his fellow Christians as partners or co-laborers in Christ (Philippians 1:5). He understood their offerings were a spiritual investment that would build up the kingdom and bless their own lives. The fourth chapter of Philippians tells us Paul received from Epaphroditus gifts from the church. He spoke about these gifts as "...as a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God" (Philippians 4:18). The church at Philippi gave materially to Move God's Kingdom Forward. In the beginning of every year congregations take a serious look at their budgetary commitments and what they can do to advance God's work. 2 Corinthians 8:7 reads, "But just as you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us – see that you also excel in this grace of giving." Philippians 4:19 reads, "...God will meet all your needs according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus." God's promise of meeting our needs is directed towards people living in the will of God, serving to the glory of God, and giving to the work of God.



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