

GUIDELINES FROM GOD’S WORD AS WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

2 Corinthians 8:9. “You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes *he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.*”

Principle #1: Give in response to God’s love in Christ.

2 Corinthians 9:7. “Each man should give *what he has decided in his heart to give*, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a *cheerful* giver.”

Principle #2: Give cheerfully and from a willing heart.

1 Corinthians 16:2. “*On the first day of every week*, each one of you should set aside a sum of money *in keeping with his income*, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made.”

Principle #3: Give regularly and in proportion to what God has given.

Exodus 23:19. "Bring the best of *the firstfruits* of your soil to the house of the Lord your God.”

Principle #4: Give to the Lord the first fruits of your income.

1 Chronicles 16:29. “After David had finished sacrificing the burnt offerings and fellowship offerings, *he blessed the people in the name of the Lord.*”

Principle #5: Give as part of your worship.

Matthew 6:31,33. “*Do not worry*, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ . . . *Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness*, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

Principle #6: Trustingly put first things first.

Your Personal Offerings Worksheet

Individual/household weekly income: \$ _____

Current weekly giving: \$ _____

Use the chart to find the percentage closest to your current giving: _____

Consider growing by **at least 1%**.
Enter new percentage: _____

This is an increase of: Weekly \$ _____ Yearly \$ _____

Weekly Income	2%	3%	5%	6%	7%	9%	10%	11%	14%	15%
\$100	\$2	\$3	\$5	\$6	\$7	\$9	\$10	\$11	\$14	\$15
\$500	\$10	\$15	\$25	\$30	\$35	\$45	\$50	\$55	\$70	\$75
\$1,000	\$20	\$30	\$50	\$60	\$70	\$90	\$100	\$110	\$140	\$150
\$1,500	\$30	\$45	\$75	\$90	\$105	\$135	\$150	\$165	\$210	\$225
\$2,000	\$40	\$60	\$100	\$120	\$140	\$180	\$200	\$220	\$280	\$300
\$2,500	\$50	\$75	\$125	\$150	\$175	\$225	\$250	\$275	\$350	\$375
\$3,000	\$60	\$90	\$150	\$180	\$210	\$270	\$300	\$330	\$420	\$450
\$4,000	\$80	\$120	\$200	\$240	\$280	\$360	\$400	\$440	\$560	\$600