



Five P's to Guide Your Commitment Decision

PRAYER

It all starts with prayer. The hymn writer was correct, *“Let each day begin with prayer, praise and adoration.”* Jesus himself not only invites us to pray, but to pray at all times for His guidance in every matter.

“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.” Ephesians 6:18

PERSONAL

It's about how I can glorify God. May God guide your prayerful decision as you reflect on what He has given to you, trusting Him to bless your plan.

“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.” 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

PROPORTIONAL

It's not about quantity or amount, but about being faithful managers of all that God has placed under your care for the good of His Kingdom.

“Now about the collection for the Lord's people: Do what I told the Galatian churches to do. ²On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made.” 1 Corinthians 16:1-2

PLEASING

It's not about trying to please others or even yourself, it's about knowing that because of Christ, God freely chooses to be pleased with us and our gifts of love.

“They [believers' gifts] are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:18-19

PEACE

It's about receiving peace through the knowledge that we have made a prayerful, personal, proportional commitment that is pleasing to God.

“And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:7