

A New Line Item



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The Three Laws of Physical Balance

1. You have to have a reference point.

You got to be knowing where your money is going.

3. You have to have a clear objective.

Our objective is to honor God with everything. Not just a percentage, but with everything.

2. You have to make constant correction.

A. Get out of debt or stay out of debt.

Your Extra Money.

The question is,

- If you're going to be balanced you've got to figure out _____ you're going to do with your _____.

Our culture keeps us focused on what we _____ have.

What you _____ to do with your extra
is a reflection of your _____.

¹⁵ ... “...; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.”

Luke 12:15b (NIV11)

¹⁶ And he told them this parable: “The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. ¹⁷ He thought to himself, ‘What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.’ ¹⁸ “Then he said, ‘This is what I’ll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. ¹⁹ And I’ll say to myself, “You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.”’ ²⁰ “But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?’ **Luke 12:16-20 (NIV11)**

³³ Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Luke 12:33-34 (NIV11)

You need to make a correction if...

- You _____ the extra is all for _____.
- You have a savings plan and a spending plan but no _____ plan

Challenge - Develop a giving plan

My Next Step Today Is To...

- Meditate on and/or memorize Luke 12:15
- Do the Giving plan worksheet and set goal for giving for 2019.
- Take the Tithing challenge.
- Turn my life over to the care of God who loves me wants to give me life abundant.



My Giving Plan



Where Should You Give?

The Bible does not spell out in detail where we should give, but we can discern certain guidelines for our giving.

1. We should give to the local church. The local church is God's unique institution in the world. It is our opportunity to provide for those leading the church (1 Timothy 5:17-18) and to support its' missionaries (Philippians 4:15-19)
2. We should also give to the poor. God has a special concern for those in need (Matthew 25:34-40), as well as widows and orphans (James 1:27). Beyond these priorities, there are also many organizations and individuals worthy of support.

Current Giving Assessment

	Organization	Amount
Local Church	_____	_____
Missions	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
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Other	_____	_____
	Total	_____
	% of income	_____

Future Giving Assessment

	Organization	Amount
Local Church	_____	_____
Missions	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____
	Total	_____
	% of income	_____

What must happen for you to get from where you are to where you want to be?