

Scriptural Texts with a Stewardship Message

The following passages from Holy Scripture are particularly suited to preaching or teaching the stewardship message.

<i>Old Testament</i>	<i>Stewardship Message</i>
1 Chronicles 29:14-16	“For everything is from you, and we only give you what we have received from you.”
Deuteronomy 14:22, 29	“Each year you shall tithe all the produce that grows in the fields you have sown...so that the Lord, your God, may bless you in all that you undertake.”
Deuteronomy 16:10, 16-17	“...No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord, God has bestowed on you.”
Deuteronomy 26:1-4	“...you shall take some first fruits of the various products of the soil which you harvest ...and putting them in a basket go to the priest (who will) set it in front of the altar of the Lord, your God.”
Leviticus 27-30	“All tithes of the land, whether in grain from the field or in the fruit from the trees, belong to the Lord, as sacred to Him.”
Malachi 3:8-10	“...Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house, and try me in this, says the Lord of Hosts.”
Proverbs 3:9	“Honor the Lord with your wealth, with first fruits of all you produce; then will your barns be filled with grain, with new wine your vats will overflow.”
Proverbs 11:24	“...He who confers benefits will be amply enriched, and he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed.”
Sirach 35:7-10	“...Give to the Most High as He has given to you, generously, according to your means.”
<i>New Testament</i>	<i>Stewardship Message</i>
Matthew 3:1-12	“Reform your lives...Give some evidence that you mean to reform.”
Matthew 5:1-12	Beatitudes
Matthew 5:13-16	“In the same way, your light must shine before others so that they may all see goodness in your acts.”
Matthew 6:24-34	“No one can serve two masters. He will either hate one or love the other or be attentive to one and despise the other.”

Matthew 10:37-42	“You can be sure that whoever gives even a drink of cold water to one of the least of my followers, will certainly receive a reward.”
Matthew 13:4-23	The Parable of the Sower
Matthew 13:24-43	The Parable of the Mustard Seed
Matthew 14:13-21	“Give them something to eat yourselves.”
Matthew 16:21-27	“...He will repay each man according to his conduct.”
Matthew 22:34-40	“You shall love the Lord your God... You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”
Matthew 25:14-30	Parable of the Silver Pieces
Mark 10:21	“Go and sell what you have and give to the poor; you will then have treasure in heaven.”
Mark 10:43-45	“...Anyone among you who aspires to greatness must serve the rest; whoever wants to rank first among you must serve the needs of all.”
Mark 12:44	“They gave from their surplus wealth, but she gave from her want, all that she had to live on.”
Mark 13:34	“He leaves home and leaves his servants in charge, each with his own task.”
Luke 3:11	“Let the one with two coats give to the one who has none. The one who has food should do the same.”
Luke 6:38	“Give and it shall be given to you.”
Luke 10:25-37	Parable of the Good Samaritan
Luke 11:5-8	Parable of the Friend at Midnight
Luke 12:32-48	“Wherever your treasure lies, there will your heart be... When much has been given a man, much will be required of him.”
Luke 14:25-33	“...none of you can be my disciple if he does not renounce all his possessions.”
Luke 15:12	“A man may be wealthy but his possessions do not guarantee him life.”
Luke 16:1-13	“You cannot give yourself to God and money.”
Luke 16:19-31	Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus
Luke 19:1-10	“I give half my belongings, Lord, to the poor.”

John 9:1-41	“We must do the deeds of Him who sent me while it is still day.”
John 20:19-31	“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”
John 14:15-21	“He who obeys the commandments he has from me is the man who loves me.”
John 15:12,16	“This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you...it was I who chose you to go forth and bear fruit.”
John 20:21	“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”
John 21:15-17	“Jesus said, ‘Tend my sheep...Feed my sheep.’”
Acts 2:42-45	“...Those who believed shared all things in common; they would sell their property and goods, dividing everything on the basis of each one’s need.”
Acts 4:34	“...to be distributed each according to his needs.”
Acts 20:35	“...recall the words of Jesus: “There is more happiness in giving than receiving.”
Romans 12:6-8	“We have gifts that differ according to the favor bestowed on each of us.”
1 Corinthians 4:1	“Thus should one regard us as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God...Moreover, it is required in stewards, that someone be found faithful to his gifts.”
1 Corinthians 16:2	“On the first day of each week everyone should put aside whatever he has been able to save.”
2 Corinthians 8	Paul’s instruction about the collection of the church in Jerusalem.
2 Corinthians 9:6-8	“...Everyone must give according to what he has inwardly decided; not sadly, not grudgingly, for God loves a cheerful giver...”
2 Corinthians 9:8	“God can multiply His favors among you so that you may always have enough of every thing and even a surplus for good works.”
1 Timothy 6:7-9	“We brought nothing into the world, nor have we the power to take anything out...”
1 Timothy 6:17-19	“...Charge them to do good, be rich in good works and generous, sharing what they have...”

Titus 3:14	“But let our people, too, learn to devote themselves to good works, to supply urgent needs, so that they may not be unproductive.”
Hebrews 13:16	“Do not neglect good deeds and generosity. God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind.”
James 2:14-17	“...If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and no food for the day and you do not meet their bodily needs, what good is that?”
James 4:3	“You ask and you do not receive because you ask wrongly, with a view to squandering what you receive on your pleasures.”
1 Peter 4:8-10	“...As generous distributors of God’s manifold grace, put your gifts at the service of one another, each in the measure he has received.”