



STEWARDSHIP

....it's a family thing!



IDEAS TO TALK ABOUT STEWARDSHIP TOGETHER

IDEA #1 **How can you give as a family?** Here is a great sheet from ministry-to-children.com to discuss and record your ideas. It is provided on page 2 of this document.

IDEA #2 **How Great Thou ART-** Talk about how your family gives to God. Have children create a work of art that displays the different ways your family shares God's blessings.

IDEA #3 **SIGN ME UP!** Children see adults make pledges with their pledge card, so how about giving them a chance to complete their own card expressing how they might be able to give in many different ways. Print and discuss the page from solapublishing.org found as page 3 of this document.

IDEA #4 **Helping children know what to do with \$\$\$** Giving your child an allowance is a great way to help teach them about money. If your child receives an allowance, ask them about giving a tenth during the offering time at church or Sunday School. They may learn much more about giving when they are sharing their own money they've received as an allowance, as opposed to being given money by a parent specifically for offering. Giving your children an allowance may also help you teach them about saving and spending money wisely.

IDEA #5 **How do you spend your time?** Help each member of your family keep a daily or weekly log of how they use their time (outside of school/work and chores) and see where you are spending the most time. Is it being spent on things of God or "other" things? Make sure there is a balance between the two, and look for opportunities to serve together.

IDEA #6 **COMMUNICATE about giving-** As parents we may assume that our children understand that we give and that it's important to give, because they see us do it. However, that may not always be the case, and children can completely miss the "WHY", unless we take time to intentionally share it. At every opportunity as you and your family shares their time, talent, or treasure, make sure to talk about why you're giving, why it's important, and how God will use your gift.

IDEA #7 **Kids can help too!** As an adult, you may serve in various ways here at the church. Look for opportunities when your child might be able to assist you in your serving roles. If you have to setup an area, ask children to help you. If you are preparing for a Sunday School lesson, have them help you with any preparation that involves cutting or gluing. Involve children in what you do and share with them why it's important to you to serve in the roles you serve in.

A close-up photograph of a light-colored wooden plate with a subtle rim, resting on a dark, textured surface. The lighting creates soft shadows and highlights the wood grain.

How can our
family serve
God this week?

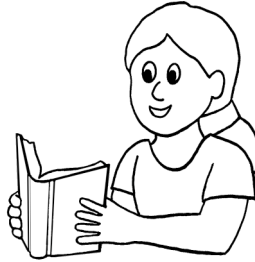
Set your minds on things above,
not on earthly things. Colossians 3:2

Children's Stewardship Plan

My Name is: _____

Dear God:

I know You love me and will always take care of me. Thank You for giving me everything I have. Help me to be Your faithful follower, and do the things You want me to do. In Jesus' name. Amen



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Because I love and trust God, here's some things I plan to do:

- come to worship at Church
- attend Sunday School class
- read the Bible or Bible storybook
- pray to God every day
- help my parents
- invite friends to Church
- take good care of my things
- give money as an offering
- be kind to other people

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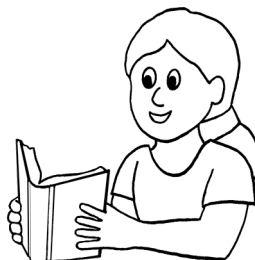
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