



DISCUSSION GUIDE

United Methodists are United in Impact, joined together by our faith in Christ and supported by a worldwide Connection.

Open in Prayer:

Begin with prayer, asking God to open hearts and minds to His Word and to guide the discussion on how we can faithfully participate in His work.

1. The Heart of Giving

- Read James 2:15-17
- How does giving reflect our faith in action?
- How has God used our church's generosity to meet real needs?
- How have you seen your giving make an impact?

2. Giving as an Act of Worship

- Read 2 Corinthians 9: 10-15
- How does generosity express our love, obedience, and gratitude to God?
- How have you seen God provide through giving?
- Why do you personally choose to give to our local church?

3. Living as Stewards of Grace

- Read 1 Peter 4:8-11
- How do you use your God-given gifts to serve others?
- How can we put our service into action in our community and beyond?
- What does it mean to be part of the larger Body of Christ?

4. Our Covenant as United Methodist

- Read Psalms 90: 16-17
- In what ways do our membership vows (prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness) reflect this scripture?
- How do these vows influence in your commitment?
- What makes covenants essential to our spiritual journey?

5. The Impact of Giving

- Read Mark 12: 14-44
- How does this scripture represent sacrificial giving?
- How is sacrificial giving demonstrated in our local church?
- How does sacrificial giving exhibit in your personal faith journey?

6. The Power of Our Gifts in Action

- Read 1 John 3:16–25 and 1 Chronicles 29:11–14
- What do these passages teach us about stewardship and the purpose of church resources?
- How does our giving reflect this model of generosity?
- How do these passages challenge us to think differently stewardship and the way our church resources are used?

7. Living Out the Great Commission

- Read Matthew 28:19–20
- How does our church's giving and mission work to fulfill the Great Commission?
- What more can we do to engage in local and global discipleship?
- How have you seen our church's giving and mission work make a difference in sharing the Gospel?

8. Impacting Our Local Community

- Read Matthew 5:14–16
- In what ways is our church a light in the community?
- Where do we see opportunities to expand our impact?
- Are there any areas where you feel like you've been hiding your light? How can you change that?

9. The Joy of Giving

- Read Acts 20:35
- What does this verse teach us about the connection between hard work and generosity?
- In what ways can we be more intentional about helping those in need?
- What are some ways we can encourage more people in our congregation to take an active role in giving and serving?

10. Leaving a Legacy of Faith

- Read Psalm 78:4
- Why is it important to pass down the truths of God's Word to those who come after us?
- How can we share the stories of God's faithfulness with the next generation?
- What are some ways we can teach others about God's mighty works in our lives?

Closing Prayer and Reflection:

Invite participants to share any insights they gained and close in prayer, asking God to bless and multiply the church's generosity for His glory.