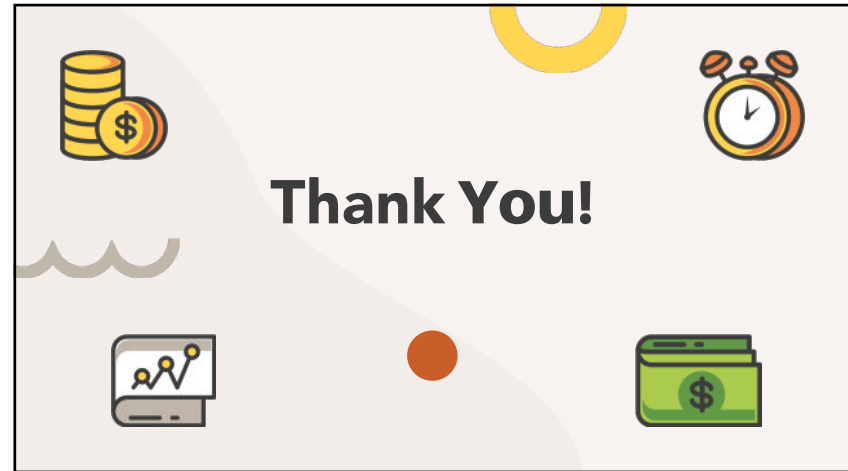
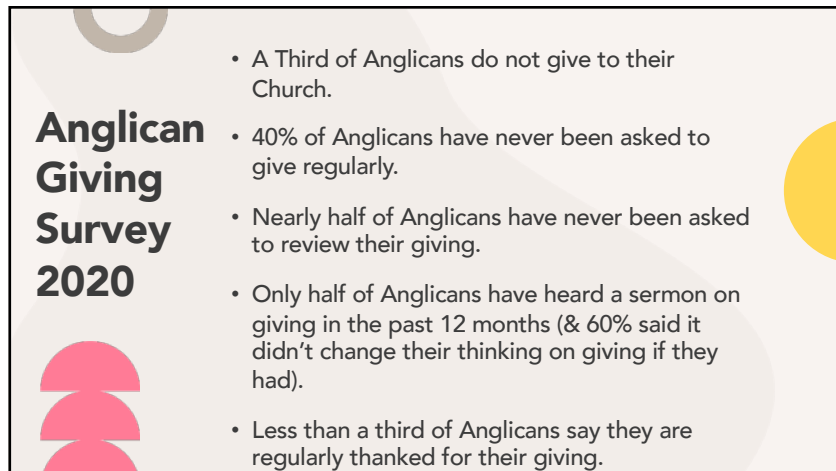




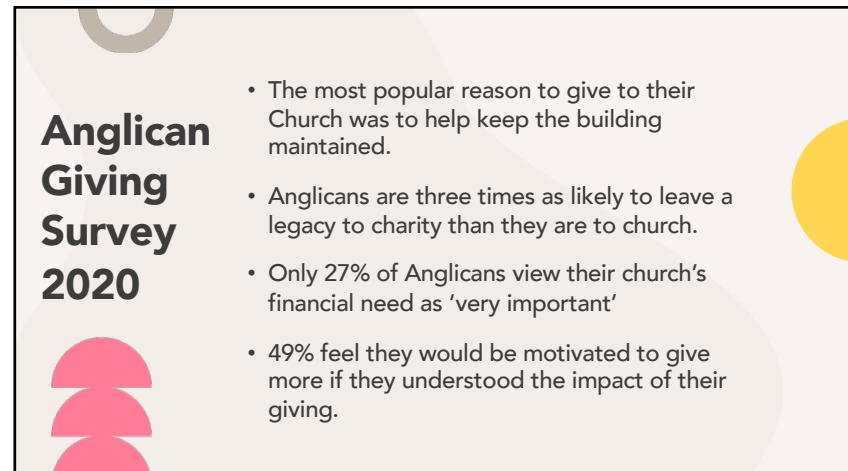
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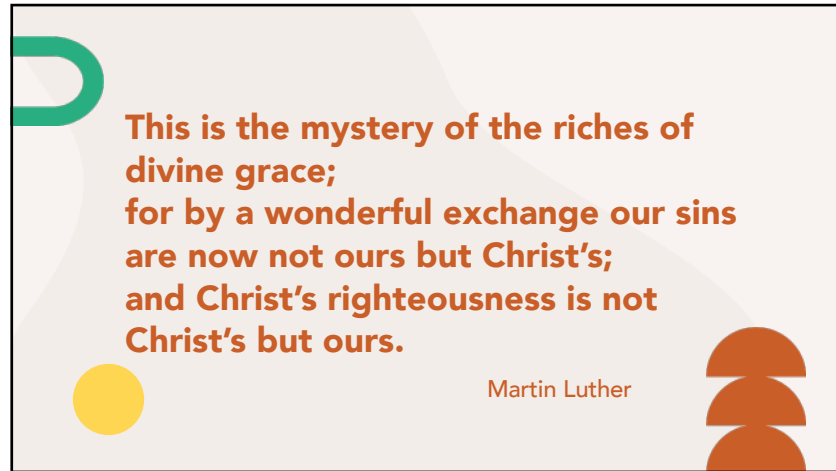
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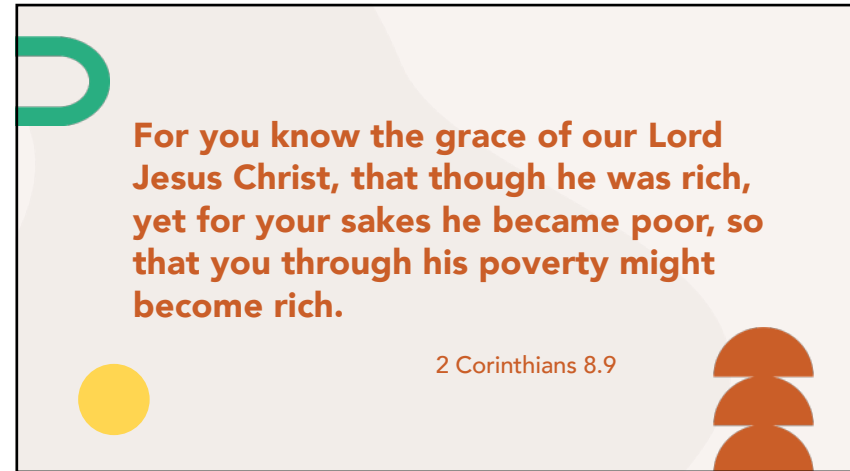
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This is the mystery of the riches of divine grace; for by a wonderful exchange our sins are now not ours but Christ's; and Christ's righteousness is not Christ's but ours.

Martin Luther

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For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

2 Corinthians 8.9

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The Parable of the Labourers in the Vineyard

Matthew 20.1-16

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These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.

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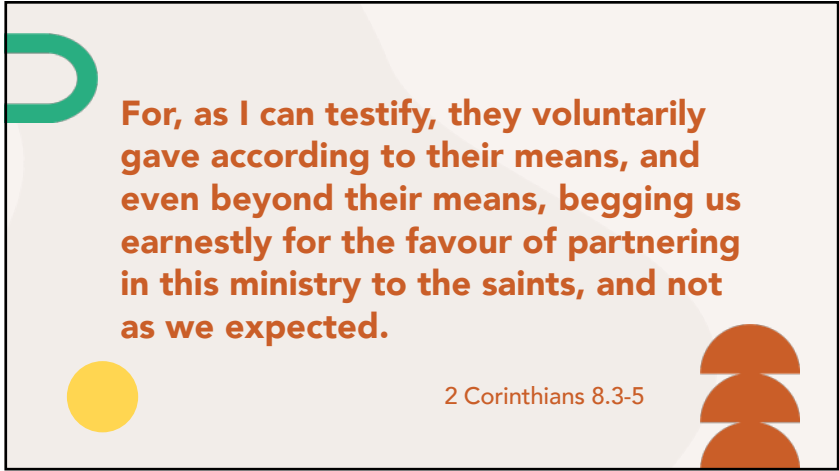
The last are first and the first are last not because power structures have somehow been reversed, but because in the Kingdom of God all power structures are dissolved, and everyone is fundamentally equal.

Kelly Brown Douglas

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Whatever is right ...

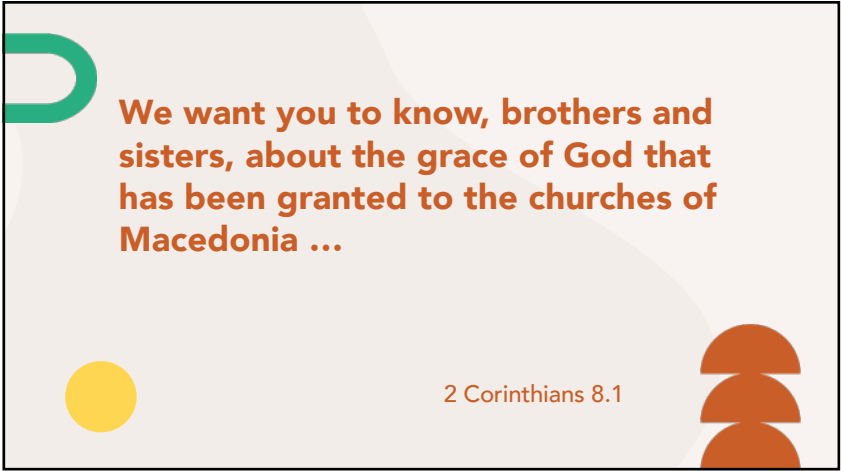
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For, as I can testify, they voluntarily gave according to their means, and even beyond their means, begging us earnestly for the favour of partnering in this ministry to the saints, and not as we expected.

2 Corinthians 8.3-5

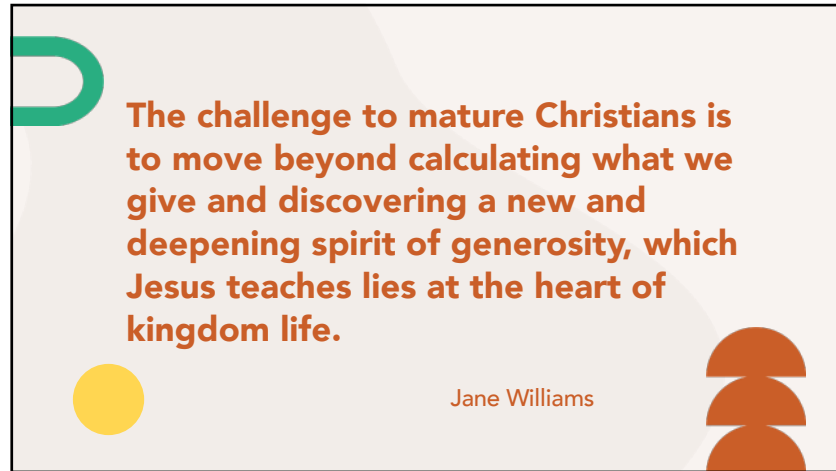
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We want you to know, brothers and sisters, about the grace of God that has been granted to the churches of Macedonia ...

2 Corinthians 8.1

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The challenge to mature Christians is to move beyond calculating what we give and discovering a new and deepening spirit of generosity, which Jesus teaches lies at the heart of kingdom life.

Jane Williams

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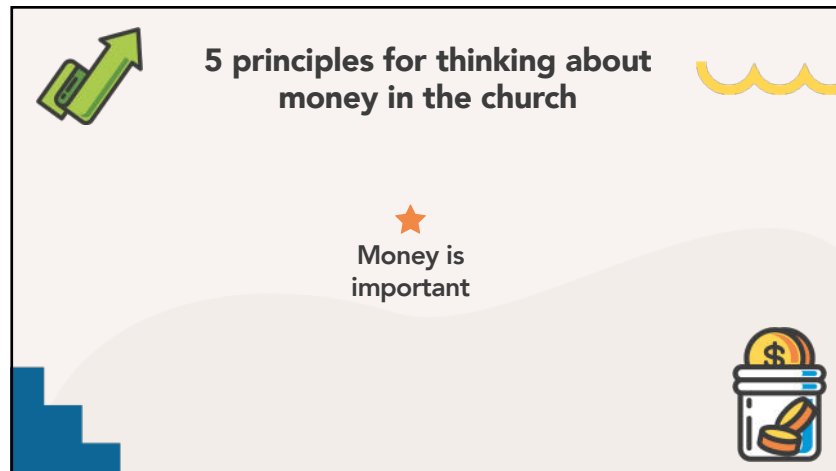


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- ★ Money is given to share
- ★ Our giving expresses our theology
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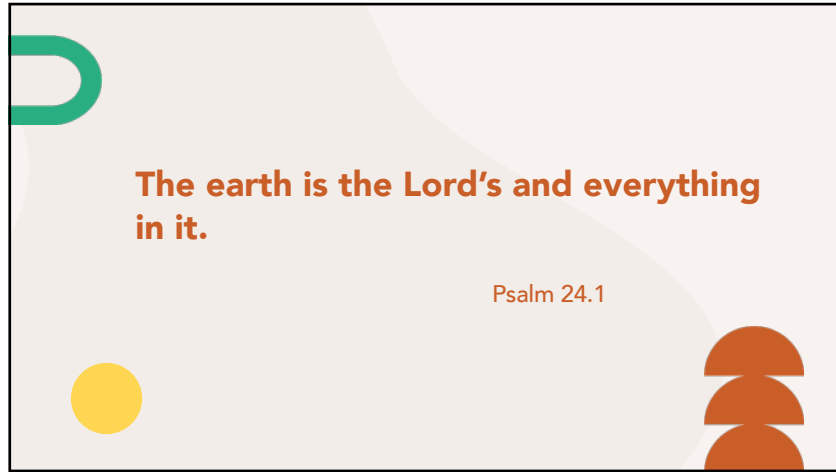


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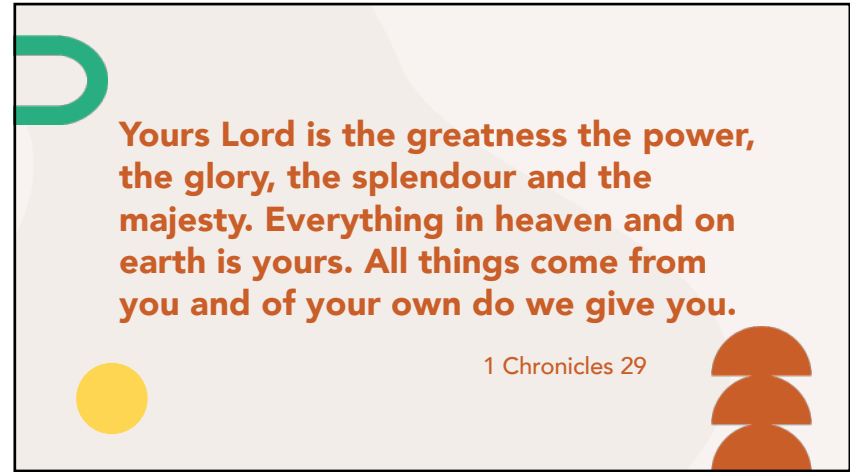
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The earth is the Lord's and everything in it.

Psalm 24.1

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Yours Lord is the greatness the power, the glory, the splendour and the majesty. Everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you and of your own do we give you.

1 Chronicles 29

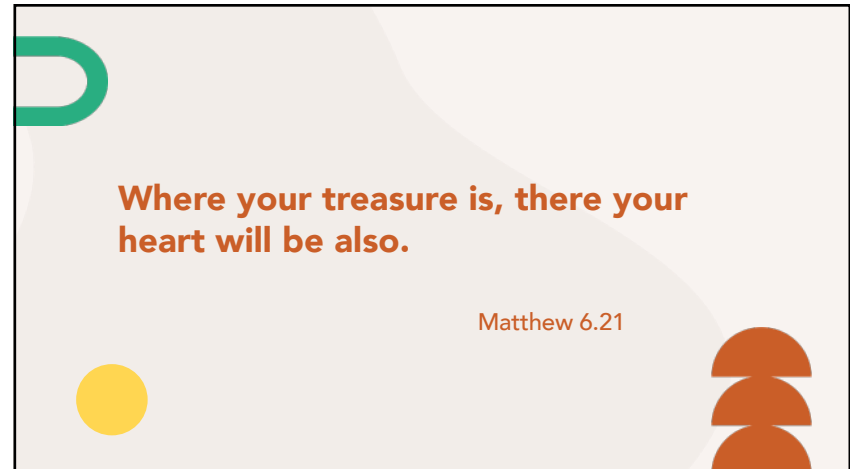
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Our giving expresses our theology

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Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6.21

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D ... our Christian giving can express our theology. For example, when we contribute to evangelistic enterprises, we are expressing our confidence that the gospel is God's power for salvation, and that everybody has a right to hear it. When we give to economic development, we express our belief that every man, woman and child bears God's image and should not be obliged to live in dehumanising circumstances. When we give to the maturing of the church, we acknowledge its centrality in God's purpose and his desire for its maturity.

John Stott

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Money is given to share

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D Our desire is not that others might be relieved while you are hard pressed, but that there might be equality.

2 Corinthians 8.13

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There is enough

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But godliness with contentment is great gain.

1 Timothy 6:6

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