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A Stewardship and Giving Emphasis Program for Congregations

WEEK #3 – SERMON NOTES AND SUGGESTIONS

Timing: Sunday of Week #3

Sermon Title: Seven Principles of Christian Discipleship

Preaching Text: 1 Cor. 4:1 (NKJV)

Background Material: Provided Essay: Seven Principles of Christian Discipleship

Sermon Suggestions: These points are to be covered and provide a sermon outline:

1. Become familiar with the Seven Principles of Christian Discipleship
2. Explain the impact the first three principles, (Prayer, Study and Worship) have on our relationship with God and in our development as Christian Disciples.
3. Explain the last four principles, (Stewardship, Evangelism, Mentoring and Service) as the fruits of the Spirit and the living out of our faith.
4. These principles, or disciplines, do not always come natural to us. We must consciously work at developing into Christian Discipleship.
5. Believers will find that, just as with our spiritual gifts, some disciplines come easier to some folks than to others. We are not all alike in our faith.
6. Emphasize the importance all seven principles play in the life of a believer and in the ministry of the Church and our local congregation.
7. Challenge the membership to prayerfully consider how each of them can grow in their Christian Discipleship.
8. Remind all that God's grace alone makes our discipleship possible. Responding to his grace provides the power and ability to grow as Christian Disciples.