

# Cornerstone Baptist Church

"...Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;" Eph. 2:20

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Adult Bible Study

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## Get Plugged into the Money:

### The Finances of the Church

Hebrews 10:25

"...desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:"

Churches grow when people grow. The Church is the most powerful organism on the planet (Matthew 28:18). No power can overcome the Church (Isaiah 54:17; Matthew 16:18). Churches die because their members die spiritually. There is no power in the building, the property, the sign, or even the name of our Church. The power and effectiveness of the Church lies in the unified efforts of a Spirit-filled membership! You cannot be right with God and be disconnected from your local Church (I Timothy 3:15). How can we get plugged into our Church?

#### I. Get Plugged into the What of Giving      **Genesis 2:2-4**

The word 'respect' means to look, to gaze, or to regard. Cain did not respect God's demands for an offering, so God did not respect him. God's respect for us or lack of respect for us is directly related to our level of respect for our offering to God. God will not respect us if what we are offering is disrespectful. We cannot disrespect God with our offering and then expect God to bless us or our family.

The WHAT that we give should be our BEST, both in QUALITY and QUANTITY.

#### II. Get Plugged into the Where of Giving      **Malachi 3:10; Acts 4:33-35**

The Bible is very clear that the giving is to be done at the House of God—the local Church.

Why is it important that we give at Church verses giving to other 'charitable' organizations? \_

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#### III. Get Plugged into the Why of Giving      **Psalms 50:7-15**

##### 1. The Personal Benefit

God doesn't need our money. We give because we need to.

##### 2. The Eternal Benefit      **Matthew 6:19-20**

What kind of treasures can we get in Heaven? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. The Corporate Benefit

A Person that robs God is a person that robs the people of God.

One of the greatest blessings of Giving is an opportunity to be a blessing to the Church!

It is a benefit to the entire Church if everyone does their part.

A Church cannot succeed and prosper and flourish and grow if it is full of non-giving members.

What are some blessings that God give us when we give? \_\_\_\_\_  
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