**V. How Should Christians Give?**

*“On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made.”*

- 1 Corinthians 16:2

* + 1. **Giving should be…**

**1. Periodic**

**2. Personal**

**3. Planned**

1. **Progressive**
2. **Plentiful**

**6. Private**

(Matthew 6:3-4)

**VI. Conclusion**

(2 Corinthians 8:7)

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# Week 3

**Giving**

**I. Introduction**

**II. Why Should Christians Give?**

1. **Giving shows how great God is**

(Matthew 13:45-46; Hebrews 11:26)

1. **God generously gives to us**

(2 Corinthians 8:9)

1. **Giving promotes godliness**

(Malachi 3:8-10; Matthew 6:21, 24; Luke 6:38; 2 Corinthians 9:6-7, 12)

**III. What Should Christians Give?**

* 1. **Everything**

(Romans 12:1; Colossians 4:5; 1 Corinthians 10:31)

Money is just one piece in a large puzzle of how we can use every gift, every opportunity, every relationship, every dollar to proclaim the glory of God with every minute he gives us on this earth.

* 1. **Tithes & offerings**

**1. Old Testament giving**

(Leviticus 27:30-33; Deuteronomy 12:17-18; 14:28-29)

**2. New Testament giving**

(Matthew 17:25-26; 1 Corinthians 9:21; 16:2)

**3. Sacrificial giving**

(Matthew 16:24; Mark 12:41-44; 2 Corinthians 8:2-3)

**4. Generous giving**

(2 Corinthians 9:6)

*Give so that the money you’re spending on your own needs brings God equal or greater glory than it would if you were to give it away.*

**IV. Where Should Christians Give?**

1. **Obligations**

(Galatians 6:6; 1 Timothy 5:8)

1. **Opportunities**

(2 Corinthians 8:7-8; Galatians 6:10)