

 Unstoppable

 East Bay

Journey Guide Vol. 2: Seek A Willing Heart

God's Not Done...So, We're Not Done

Isaiah 54:2-3





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THANK YOU FOR SAYING “YES” TO THIS AMAZING JOURNEY.

We believe that the legacy you leave will be worth the risk, and the benefits you will receive will be eternal. That is why we have taken up the call of God given to us in Isaiah 54:2-3.

“Enlarge the place of your tent, and let them stretch out the curtains of your dwellings; Do not spare; Lengthen your cords, and strengthen your stakes. For you shall expand to the right and to the left, and your descendants will inherit the nations, and make the desolate cities inhabited. ”

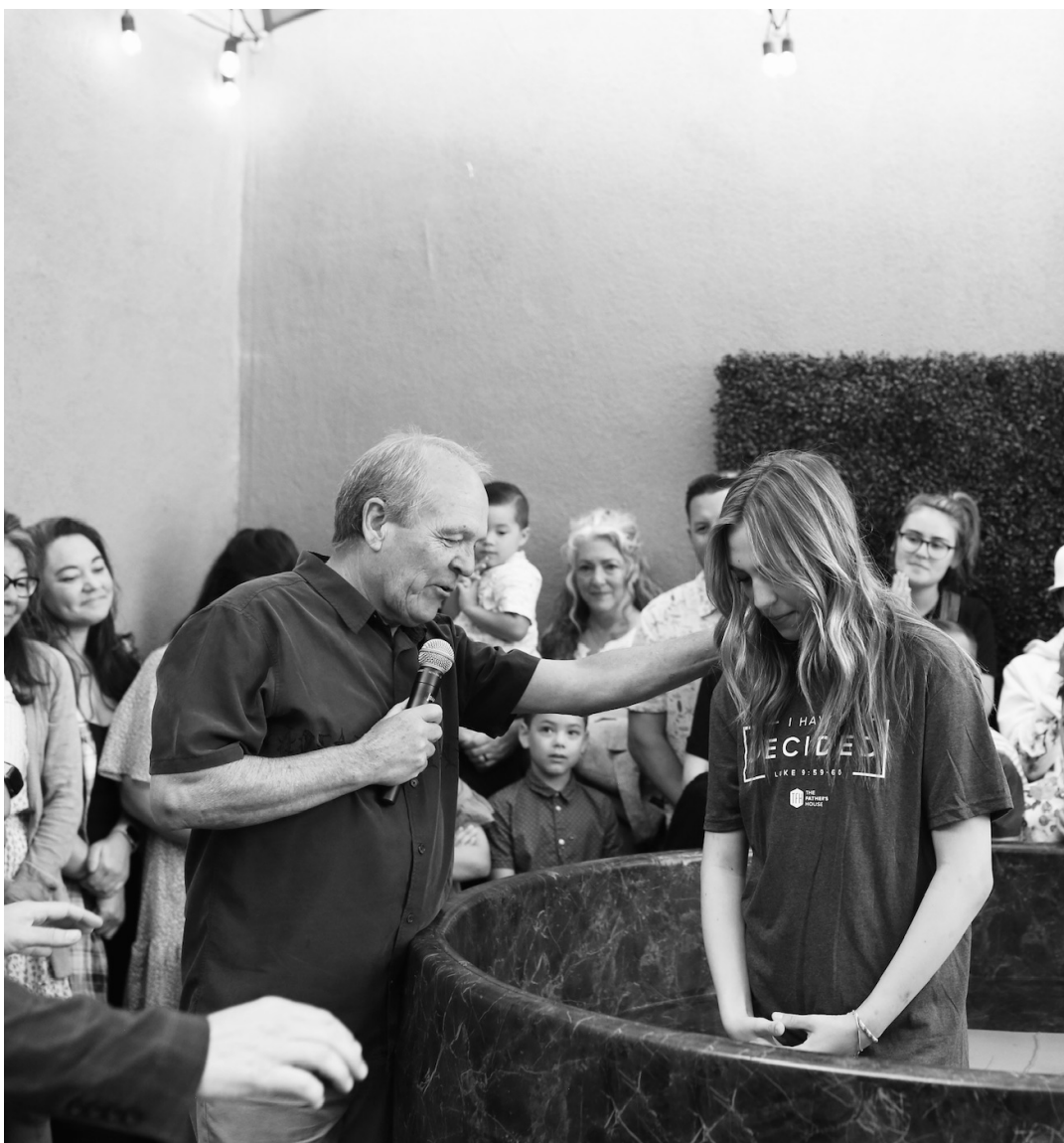
Let’s take a brief look at that passage:

Enlarge the place of thy tent — That it may be capable of receiving the Gentiles, who will flock to us in great numbers, and desire to associate themselves with us. **And let them** — Those to whom that work belongs, us. **Stretch forth the curtains** — Meaning, the curtains must and shall be stretched out. **Spare not** — Fear not that we might prepare more room than will be occupied; for very large additions of people are to be expected. **And strengthen thy stakes** — That they may be able to support the great weight which the tent, thus enlarged, will be upon them. **For thou shalt break forth** — We will bring forth a multitude of children; for the word here rendered “break forth”, is commonly used of any great and extraordinary gathering of people. **On the right hand and on the left** — On every side, in all parts of the world. And our children will be so numerous that they can no longer be contained within narrow bounds. **And thy seed** — Our spiritual seed, the members of the New Testament church, and especially the apostles and other ministers of Christ. **Shall inherit the Gentiles** — Will bring the Gentile world to the obedience of the faith; and make the **desolate cities to be inhabited** — will cause those cities and countries which, in a spiritual sense, were desolate, being destitute of all good, to be filled with members of the Church.

More is at stake than having more parking, more room, a larger footprint, and more seats. Destinies are at stake. As Pastor Dave always says, "Life is short. Eternity is real. And people matter most."

Pastors Shane & Jamie

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Vision

WE ARE THE FATHER'S HOUSE

In the beginning, it was eight people. Eight people in a living room, praying. Believing. Burdened with a feeling that Vacaville needed a powerful move of God. Eight people who desired more than anything to see people far from God find life in Christ. It was then that Pastor Dave began truly crying out to the Lord the same message that Moses declared so many years ago,

**“IF YOUR PRESENCE DOES NOT GO WITH US,
DO NOT SEND US UP FROM HERE.” Exodus 33:15**

God answered. God moved. Before too long, it was clear that God was moving in more than just Vacaville, and the cry for Napa and the North Bay region began and was launched. Yet again, God amazed us with His goodness and power. The time came for something exciting in the East Bay, and we launched in faith. It certainly has been a tabernacle experience meeting in schools, hotels, and the like, staying awhile, packing up, and moving on. Then, in 2017, we felt the stirring of God to seek a more permanent location. We didn't know where, when, or how much. But The Father's House responds to the call of God, not to known circumstances. So, with the belief that God was calling us to a new home, we launched the Imagine Campaign to raise \$2M dollars. We succeeded in that through the sacrificial gifts of our East Bay campus family. We owned the vision of a new home. We sacrificed for the new home. In response, God gave us a miracle building. We knew that this was a longer-stay location, but that one day, we would once again need to find a new address and a new home. Our current location would enable us to stop being a wandering church, to put down some roots and grow. And grow we have. Now, in 2024, that same stirring of God has come to us, asking us to rise up once again and pursue a new address. The word to us is that our current location and building is going to stop what God intends for us in reaching the harvest He has for us. So, the Unstoppable Campaign was born. God wasn't done, so we're not done. So, here we are, and we now stand on the brink of an exciting new time. Because there's something special about the presence of God leading us, bidding us to provide a large, more expansive place for His presence to touch and transform



lives. This indeed will require 100% participation to raise \$3.5 million in our Unstoppable Campaign. But it will be worth the sacrifice.

**IN CONTRA COSTA COUNTY ALONE THERE
ARE OVER 1.1 MILLION PEOPLE. LESS THAN
9% ATTEND A LIFE-GIVING CHURCH.**

God's heart is, and has always been, beating for people. From the beginning of time, God had the Church in mind – people “called out” and “set apart” for His purpose. A group of passionate and Spirit-filled people to change the atmosphere of the world around them and to bring hope and a future to others by being a part of God's family.

In East Bay, that is our heartbeat too. We have been faithful to push ourselves on a weekly basis to create an atmosphere of God's presence, and now God is asking us again to expand our tent pegs and provide the resources for something exciting: a new and more expansive church home.

**OUR BIG FAITH AND BIG DREAM STARTED WITH THE PRESENCE
OF GOD. WE WILL FOREVER LOVE, HONOR, AND MAKE A PLACE
FOR HIM AND A PLACE FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE FAR FROM GOD TO
EXPERIENCE IT.**

*We will continually be in pursuit of Him because it's **who we are**. His presence is why chains are often broken as soon as you walk through our auditorium doors. That's why we are seeking a new home. So, we can be **UNSTOPPABLE!***

The Church is a big deal to God,
It's a big deal to us, too!



We will invest our lives to build it.

The Journey Guide Series

Each Sunday you will receive a Journey Guide that we will use to travel the spiritual journey.

Extra volumes of the Journey Guide are available at the Unstoppable Kiosk.

Volume 1 – Own The Heart Beat
SUNDAY, OCT 6

Volume 2 – Seek A Willing Heart
SUNDAY, OCT 13

Volume 3 – Embrace A Surrendered Heart
SUNDAY, OCT 20

Volume 4 – Move Into A Prioritized Heart
SUNDAY, OCT 27

Volume 5 – Stretch Into A Sacrificial Heart
SUNDAY, NOV 3

Volume 6 – The All-In Committed Heart
SUNDAY, NOV 10



UNSTOPPABLE
is our two-year
g e n e r o s i t y
campaign to lead
100% of the TFH
East Bay family to
a place of 100%
trust in God to
raise \$3.5 million
to provide a new
church home.

Dive into this Journey Guide

It's simple, follow along as we go! New content each week. Work through each section before we get to Commitment Sunday on November 10th. If you miss a week, catch up. Extra copies are available online and at our Kiosk in the lobby.

Sermon Notes - Bring your Journey Guide to every service for the 6-week Unstoppable series. Make this a priority. Take notes. We are certain God has something He wants to speak to you during this series as you ask Him, "What do you want to do through me?" Additionally, there is a space included for you to write down thoughts and questions to explore in your small group.

Devotional Guide - In the Devotional Guide, we will journey weekly for 7 days, focused on drawing close to and hearing from Jesus. The Unstoppable spiritual journey begins with you, so take some time to invest in your spiritual growth by digging deep into God's Word. We know that time spent with Him is life-giving and, ultimately, we trust that God will speak to you through His word.

Commitment Section - This section will help you seek the Lord to see what sacrificial generosity may look like for you, as you seek to make a commitment to the Unstoppable vision of our church. Our prayer through this guide is that every heart would be in a place of full surrender in seeking what God would want each of us to give to building His house.

FAQs - You will likely have some questions. We understand that, so we've put together some answers in advance. We have answered several questions that can be found in the FAQ section of the journey guide and online. Go check them out. If you have more questions, reach out to us at unstoppable@tfh.org

**We hope you find this content
inspiring and challenging!**



Sermon Notes & Devotionals

Sunday: Day 8 Devotion

Scripture for the day: 1 Chronicles 29:10, 11, 13

"O Lord, the God of our ancestor Israel, may you be praised forever and ever! Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. Everything in the heavens and on earth is yours, O Lord, and this is your kingdom. We adore you as the one who is over all things. We thank you and praise your glorious name!"

Reflect: When He gives you favor, remember to give Him the glory.

You get the sense David could have gone on and on about God's blessings and glory and greatness. When God touches our situation with favor, and we can see His hand on us it is vital to praise and honor Him. It is so human to take things for granted, isn't it?

Why is it that we so quickly forget all He does for us? There is something very important about Holy Spirit assisted praise and prayer. It helps us remember and it brings us back to our Father's goodness.

The next time you are feeling abandoned by God, stop and ask for the Holy Spirit to assist your time of praise and prayer (Jude 20). Ask Him to bring remembrance of all Jesus has done for you, to you, and in you. Gratitude is powerful! Remember that He gives blessing and favor to those who seek Him first.

Giving God His right place in praise positions us under the Father's hand to receive renewed life and love from Jesus, so we can be a blessing to others; that they too may glorify Him!

Prayer: Father, forgive me for failing to acknowledge your hand in my circumstances. Help me to see all that you do to bring life to me. Assist me, Holy Spirit, in my daily worship of Jesus. Bring to my mind thoughts of His goodness and love for me. Release me to worship Him freely and boldly as David did. Amen

Monday: Day 9 Devotion

Scripture for the day: Genesis 15:1, 6

"Some time later, the Lord spoke to Abram in a vision and said to him, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, for I will protect you, and your reward will be great.' And Abram believed the Lord, and the Lord counted him as righteous because of his faith."

Reflect: Faith and fear cannot live together.

Abraham would have never received the title "The Father of Faith" if he had given into fear. Fear and faith won't live together; one always overcomes the other, either fear overwhelms faith or faith overwhelms fear. Many of us mistakenly believe we can entertain them both. We think that we can allow fear to dwell in us regularly and still grow in faith. This won't happen. When faith is growing, fear is shrinking. This doesn't mean you won't feel the emotion of fear, all of us do. The question is, when you feel fear, what do you do? Where do you turn? The Lord made a dramatic promise to Abraham here: "I will protect you." This promise is found all over the Bible.

Matthew 14:27 - "When the disciples saw him walking on the water, they were terrified. In their fear, they cried out, 'It's a ghost!' But Jesus spoke to them at once. 'Don't be afraid,' he said. 'Take courage. I am here!'"

Psalms 84:11 - "For the Lord God is our sun and our shield. He gives us grace and glory. The Lord will withhold no good thing from those who do what is right."

Psalms 119:114 - "You are my refuge and my shield."

There is a reason God makes these promises to you and me. He wants me to live in faith and not fear and He knows humans often feel afraid. The next time you are fearful, turn to Him and remember 'He is your shield and He is your refuge'. The Lord is your helper; you do not need to fear.

Hebrews 13:5-6 - "For God has said, 'I will never fail you. I will never abandon you.' So we can say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper, so I will have no fear. What can mere people do to me?'"

Prayer: Jesus, I want to be a person of faith; teach me to run to you when I feel fear. Holy Spirit, when I am fearful, touch me and remind me that I am a child of the King of Kings and that there is no one I need fear. As your Word says, "What can mere people do to me?" Thank you, Father, for being my shield. Amen

Tuesday: Day 10 Devotion

Scripture for the day: Luke 1:37

"For nothing is impossible with God."

Reflect: God is great; trust Him to come through.

"Faith is the simplest exercise of the spiritual life, and it is also the highest."

– Andrew Murray

God specializes in the miraculous. What we can't do, He can. What seems crazy and impossible, to Him, is very possible. Can you see what a monumental promise this is! Like God, each of us loves to see the impossible done. Yet, we stumble in our faith. Take heart! Mary did too. She asked the angel, "How can this be since I am a virgin?" This question gives us a look into her doubting heart. But here the angel speaks the promise, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you." A promise to Mary certainly, but also a promise to each of us, as we invite the Holy Spirit to work in us we, like Mary, become positioned for the miraculous.

Often you are called by God to do things that you don't necessarily understand or comprehend. Many times, you don't feel like doing what He asks. It may seem inconvenient or the wrong time. You may not have the resources or the knowledge or knowhow to do something. God is looking for an obedient heart that will simply do what He asks. Don't surrender to despair and unbelief; believe He can do what we simply cannot. He loves you and He is crazy about you and your journey with Him. He isn't here to hurt you, but to build you into His image and touch you with His glory.

So, take heart, God is looking for a surrendered faith, a faith that He alone can make miraculous and victorious. Give Him His proper place today as Lord over all your circumstances and, like Mary, you will be surprised as He births a miracle in you.

Prayer: Holy Spirit, today I surrender to Your miraculous ways. Please fill me with Your presence and build in me a victorious faith that will bring glory to Jesus and blessings to Your heart.

Wednesday: Day 11 Devotion

Scripture for the day: Hebrews 11:8

"It was by faith that Abraham obeyed when God called him to leave home and go to another land that God would give him as his inheritance. He went without knowing where he was going."

Reflect: Faith and obedience live together.

Walking with Jesus daily is sometimes very difficult. It is tough to read His Word and then go out and face the world. Especially when He asks you to take a stand for Him or to sacrifice for Him. But, without obedience, our faith can never grow. There are times we are so inclined to obey our emotions and, when they don't line up with His calling on our lives, obedience is tough. The problem with emotions is they change from moment to moment and day to day. His Word and His call always remain the same.

Abraham was called the "Father of Faith" yet he was regularly tested by God and asked to obey. Jesus was no different; He was tempted by hell and pushed and pulled by people all the time. Yet He was clear that He expected us to obey Him when He said, "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments." John 14:15

What we often miss is that obedience is a blessing. We feel like it is a curse, but obeying His word takes faith and, when we obey, we grow in faith, deep faith. This was the story of Abraham; he was called to go and he went. We forget the second part of the verse, "not knowing where he was going" wow that is a test isn't it? Go, but go where? Just go, obey and go. Thankfully most of the time when Jesus asks us to obey He is clear about the direction part. But even when He is not, surrendering to Him and His will is the best and only life-giving option.

Remember, the journey is a journey of faith not sight, so there will be times it is hard to see what He is up to; that is the faith part. Obey and watch Him work; disobey, and you miss the blessing of growing in your faith in Him.

Prayer: Jesus, teach me to obey, not kicking and screaming but surrendering and joyfully anticipating what it is you are about to do. I want to live a faith-filled life and I realize that that can only happen when I obey. Holy Spirit, empower me to obey. Give me a hunger to obey and a joy when I do obey. Thank you, Father, that your way works. Amen

Thursday: Day 12 Devotion

Scripture for the day: John 21:15

"After breakfast Jesus asked Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' 'Yes, Lord,' Peter replied, 'you know I love you.' 'Then feed my lambs,' Jesus told him."

Reflect: Surrender to your destiny.

Peter wanted to please Jesus so badly, yet he regularly got in the way. We should all be encouraged! Jesus would never give up on Him or on us. When he asked Peter this peculiar question about feeding His sheep, Peter must have thought one thing, "How can I ever live up to anything you set before me after denying you at the cross?"

What Jesus was really asking Peter is, "Do you love me?" because loving Him is indispensable to all ministry effectiveness. If you and I are going to be all He has in mind, surrendering to Him and His love is not an option - it must become a lifestyle. Then, loving others out of that love becomes our daily journey.

"...when we love without being loved back, we are at least in one small way better able to understand the heart of God. Isn't that exactly what God experiences every day?" – Howard Thurman

"I must see that drawing close to God is closely bound up with my relationship to others. Failure here will cause failure there." ..."In our life with people, the one thing on which everything depends is love. The spirit of forgiveness is the spirit of love. Because God is love, He forgives. Consequently, it is only as we are dwelling in the love of God that we can forgive as God forgives." – Andrew Murray

There is no greater form of forgiveness than the forgiveness that is granted out of a heart of love, even when forgiveness is not asked for. To love is to forgive. We are called to love, and we are called to forgive. Today, ask yourself if you can love as God loves you. Then be willing to forgive, if necessary, those who are difficult to love. Are you not glad that God does that with you?!

Prayer: Holy Spirit, help me to fall deeper in love with Jesus and, out of that, I ask that You reveal to me anyone I need to forgive so that I might be able to love others more freely. Thank You, Father, for forgiving me of my sin; help me to forgive others who have wronged me. Amen

Friday: Day 13 Devotion

Scripture for the day: Joshua 1:6-7

"Be strong and courageous, for you are the one who will lead these people to possess all the land I swore to their ancestors I would give them. Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the instructions Moses gave you. Do not deviate from them, turning either to the right or to the left. Then you will be successful in everything you do."

Reflect: Getting beyond your fears.

Anytime we talk about surrendering to God, our greatest struggle is usually fear. "What is He going to want from me? What will He take from me? I know I will fail Him." So many fears creep into our thoughts. There is good news here: Jesus is the God of second and third and sixty-third chances! You will fail and so will I, but He never does. Don't give into fear; it will rob you of life every time.

"Fear knocked at the door. Faith answered, and no one was there."

After the people of Israel failed to believe that God would bring them into the Promised Land, they wandered around a desert for 40 years until all those who had unbelief were gone. This new generation, led by Joshua, had the opportunity to once again face the giants of their fathers - a second chance.

One thing is true: there will be giants to face. You never outgrow your fear, you must learn to overcome it. You learn that, as a positioned person in Christ, you can receive a tremendous amount of courage by the faith that has been given to you by God.

John 5:4 "For every child of God overcomes this evil world, and we achieve this victory through our faith." It isn't so much that you ever lose your fear of the giants in your life, but rather you grow to understand that by the faith that God gives to every believer, you overcome them.

What fears do you have today that need to be overcome? For Joshua and the children of Israel, there were giants too. By faith, they did what God instructed them to do and by that demonstration of faith, the people were victorious.

God is ready to help you, are you ready to be helped? It takes a step of our will for us to win the battle. You must say yes to Him and then He will do it.

Prayer: Father, give to me the faith to overcome, a faith that will no longer be held captive by fear but a faith that will overcome fear. Thank You for the truth that we are victorious in Christ Jesus. Teach me to say yes to you. Amen

Saturday: Day 14 Devotion

Scripture for the day: Numbers 13:33

"We even saw giants there, the descendants of Anak. Next to them we felt like grasshoppers, and that's what they thought, too!"

Reflect: You are not a grasshopper in God's eyes.

What an interesting verse, "we felt like grasshoppers, and they thought the same thing!" Our perceptions can certainly get us into trouble fast, can't they? There were giants in the land but that is no reason to feel like a grasshopper! When you lose perspective, you lose faith and when you lose faith you have lost relationship with Jesus.

When confronted with giants, how do you respond? For those of us who are cowards at heart, our first response would be to flee and get away from the giants. God led His chosen people to the Promised Land. The reports of "giants" living in this land struck fear in their hearts and caused them to doubt God's promises. Only Caleb and Joshua trusted God for their deliverance and inheritance. To them, these giants were not difficult to be overcome because they trusted in a faithful God.

Most of the time the giants in our lives are not as big as we suspect they might be. But again, our perception is often huge and inaccurate. I think Jim Elliot rightly said it when he said, "The shadow a thing casts is always larger than the thing itself."

Today, these "descendants of Anak" take on the form of broken families, rebellious children, an impossible boss, or physical giants like cancer. They can look imposing and so big when we first confront them. Don't lose your perspective; you serve a great God who, by the way, is HUGE.

When dealing with giants in your life, there are but two responses. Either you believe that you can overcome the giant, or you believe that the giant will overcome you. Which is it for you? Do you view yourself as a grasshopper or a giant killer? Trust in a faithful God and be fearless in the presence of giants.

Prayer: Dear Lord, make me a courageous Christian. Teach me to live by faith, not by sight. Make me a believer who will be willing to fight any giant that may come across my path; not in my own strength, but in Yours, as You supply it by Your Holy Spirit. Amen



Seven Ways to Give

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A “How To” Guide to Lifestyle Stewardship

Generosity campaigns rely on the church family making gifts above and beyond their current level of giving to meet the ministry budget needs of the church. The best path to increase giving is the spiritual path, where we set our hearts on things above. Financial priorities are then shaped by spiritual priorities.

One way to define this is “Lifestyle Stewardship”, a term used to describe a level of giving that impacts one’s daily life. There is always a temptation to give in ways that make little impact on how we live. The challenge of Lifestyle Stewardship is to boldly and prayerfully find ways to let our giving touch our living.

King David declared, “I will not offer to the Lord that which costs me nothing” (2 Samuel 24:24). David understood that the value of the gift presented to God is determined by its value to the giver. The greater the gift’s value and significance to the giver, the greater its significance to our Heavenly Father. The gift that touches the heart of God must first touch the life of the giver! This is the spirit of Lifestyle Stewardship: “If it is for my God, my gift must have meaning and value to me.” Lifestyle giving is a level of giving that affects me—my plans, my activities, my attitude, and my approach to life. It means giving up something in one area so I can give more of myself in another.

The three keys to effectiveness in Lifestyle Stewardship are:

1. Reassess Lifestyle
2. Rearrange Priorities
3. Reallocate Resources

Many people have been amazed at how much more they could give after going through the process. So, prayerfully reflect on these seven ways to give.

One: Priority Budgeting

Many individuals and families will choose to rearrange their priorities and give up something in their current budget in order to give more. Priority budgeting may mean postponing a planned expenditure such as a new car, vacation, home remodeling or other major purchase. Many Christian people find a way to give more through sacrificial commitments made in faith, coupled with priority budgeting.

Two: Redirect Expenditures

Often, individuals and families have significant short-term expenditures for special needs. For example, a family may incur a large expense when a child attends college. One family realized their daughter would be graduating during the two years of the generosity campaign, and as a result, they were able to increase their commitment in the second year of the campaign by thousands of dollars. Another example is the cash flow freed up when a car loan is paid off. The concept is simple: reallocate funds that were once dedicated to other expenses toward your giving.

Three: Increased Income, Increased Giving

Some people receive periodic increases in salary or bonuses from their employers. The temptation for many of us is to increase our lifestyle to fit the higher income. In many cases, families have decided that they will commit the full amount of salary increase to the church while maintaining their current lifestyle.

Four: Giving From Excess

A young man decided that two of his collector's baseball cards, worth over \$20,000, would be the most appropriate means of sacrifice for his family. Similarly, some individuals and families save money over a period of years for a special project. One couple had saved \$80,000 to build a lake cabin. When their church entered a giving campaign, they decided the needs of the church were greater than their desire for a second home, and redirected the money toward the church's campaign.

Five: Unexpected Cash

Sometimes, people pray for God to show them a way they can give beyond what they can currently see or afford. Often, the answers come unexpectedly. For example, a couple in Alabama had been praying about their commitment to the church. Much to their surprise, they received an inheritance of several thousand dollars. They gave the entire amount to their church as part of their two-year commitment, in addition to their regular income.

Six: Extra Work

Some of us have extra time and are willing to take on a part-time job in order to

give more to the church. This is particularly true for those whose children are grown and out of the home, or for semi-retired or retired couples. One man was in the process of retiring when his church entered a giving campaign. He and his wife took on new jobs and gave the first two years of their retirement income to their church's generosity campaign.

Seven: Appreciated Assets

Many people own assets that have achieved unrealized gains in value over the years. That is good news. The bad news is that if these assets were sold, some portion of the gain could be lost to taxation.

Gifts of appreciated assets - typically investment securities or real estate - can be very advantageous to both the donor and to the church. By transferring ownership of the asset to the church, the donor avoids income taxes on the sale of the asset. Unlike gifts of cash that have already incurred an income tax, gifts of appreciated assets avoid the incurrence of capital gain tax. In addition, the donor receives an income tax charitable deduction for the full market value of the asset. That, in effect, makes these gifts less costly to make.

Planning For Your Commitment

Giving does not have to be in equal increments over the two-year giving phase of the generosity campaign. You might be able to give more in the second year than the first. As you think about your financial commitment, think not of just your potential to give right now, but also of your potential to give in the future. It might be that you can make a two-year commitment in which 60 percent is given in the first year, 40 percent in the second year or vice versa.

A FINAL WORD

Finally, as you consider your financial commitment to the Lord's work, you might want to consider estate planning. Many sincere, committed Christians have not made provision for God in their wills and estate planning. Now might be a good time to do that. It might be as simple as including a provision in your will that a percent of the value of your estate will be donated to the church of your designation at the time of your passing. Or it could involve a planned gift such as a charitable remainder trust. While such gifts do not provide immediate financial benefit to a generosity campaign, they are marvelous gifts of faith to carry on the work of the church for future generations.





Some more FAQs

Below are a new set of questions that we have prepared for you. If you missed the journey guide last week, be sure to check it out for the first set of questions. We offer these FAQs to help broaden your understanding of the campaign, its processes, and the spiritual journey. It's true that you must do something spiritual before financial. Let these FAQs help you journey into the spiritual.

Why do we need a new building?

One thing to remember is that when God opened the door to receive and renovate our current building, we knew that it would establish us for a season, but we also knew it would not serve as a long-term solution. When we launched our Imagine Campaign, we were like the traveling tabernacle in the wilderness. This is not the ultimate will of God for His people! We believed God wanted to move us into a “promised land” of our own – and build a home for people to come to. The same location every week. A place to solidify our roots and create a welcoming atmosphere where people would want to come and stay! The hotel, senior center, and school were all very nice and had their strengths, but we wanted a foundation! And it happened. We have established ourselves in the East Bay. Now, we believe God wants us to be in an expanded setting that can accommodate years and years of growth, making us unstoppable.

Will this new location make us a Mega-Church?

Our church is about reaching people far from God and helping them find new life in Christ. As long as God entrusts us with more hungry and hurting people, our church will always plan for growth. Yes, our goal is to have 2,000 people in the East Bay come to The Father's House and find life in Christ! Embracing the misconception that large churches are somehow “bad” or that a movement of God has gotten “big enough” is a significant roadblock to Jesus' great commission. It abandons potential. It puts limits on the movement of the Spirit. It gives an opportunity for the enemy to squelch what God wants to do through His people. We will never believe that God has “moved enough” for us. People will always find a home in the presence of God, and no matter how many thousands gather on the weekend, we will continue to grow deeper and healthier through small groups, discipleship, and relationships.

Why not start more campuses?

We will! Remember, just as Vacaville has become somewhat of a “hub” campus in the Vacaville area, increasing its area of influence, becoming a beacon in the community, and growing substantially since its move – so will we. After all, since the move to the new Vacaville campus, they were able to plant new locations. That is “what's next” for East Bay! We also believe that we will quickly become a “hub” church for the 90+ cities that make up our region, with 2,000+ in attendance,

and have the faith to send our OWN campuses into neighboring areas – more effectively bringing people who are far from God to find life in Christ!

How are the other campuses going to be involved?

The Father's House is still "One Church, Many Locations." Vacaville is currently in the midst of its Beyond Campaign. Napa is having its own Generosity Campaign called Now! Just as we conducted our own campaign called Imagine, we are again taking on that responsibility. So now, this is OUR time again. This is OUR chance to pray and believe that God will move through US! Isn't it exciting that our campus is going to fully support and fund (through God's provision) an entirely new and bigger home!?

How do I grow my heart in generosity?

First and foremost, you pray and seek God's direction on what He is asking of you. Prepare your heart to hear Him and then listen to what He says. Engage in personal reflection with God in this journey guide. Talk with your spouse, your family, or others about what this commitment will mean for this next exciting season of your life. Recognize that this may involve a struggle as you sense God's call to rearrange life priorities and spending habits, and give from stored resources. But don't be afraid; Luke 6:33 says, "Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you." Expect your commitment to grow over time from a token, to generous, to sacrificial generosity. That is called gospel-centered generosity. Follow His leading. Finally, prepare to be amazed. We serve an awesome God, and He will move in tremendous ways. We anticipate an unprecedented impact from our collective Unstoppable commitments – something only God can do. Please mark your calendar for Commitment Sunday on November 10th, and prepare to experience a life-changing worship service that will forever be remembered as a defining moment for our church and our own faith.

What should I know about my Commitment?

In Unstoppable, we are challenging you to grow in the practice of giving. As you consider your financial commitment over the next two years, you will want to factor in the following:

1. Your commitment is above and beyond your current giving.
2. It should be discerned through prayer.
3. It's not about equal giving but equal sacrifice.
4. It should be planned through income, adjusted spending, income generation, and stored resources.

Many people find it helpful to reflect on their commitment using the “Five D’s of Sacrificial Commitment”:

- 1. What can I do away with?**
- 2. What can I delay?**
- 3. What can I do more of?**
- 4. What can I donate?**
- 5. What can I deny myself?**

As you can see, this is a discipleship journey that unfolds over multiple weeks. It takes time to be led by the Spirit, to grow in faith and courage, and to discover God’s will.



Still Have Questions?

We would love to hear from you.

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