

**THE SIX STEPS IN CHRISTIAN GIVING**  
**From Where We are...**  
**To Where God is Calling Us**

**Survival** – I give a bit when I am asked because the church ought to be there in case I need it.

*The need is survival and there is a chance the church might help. The relationship is I know the Church is there if I need it—all being well, I won't!*

**Supermarket** – I am happy to pay for the cost of the bits of the church that I want to enjoy.

*The need is security and by treating the church on my own terms I feel safe and unchallenged. I see myself as a customer.*

**Support** – The work of the Church is important to me, so I will support it.

*I have a need to belong. I see myself as a proper member of the Church's supporters' club.*

**Subscription** – I see myself as a member and I wish to contribute my fair share of the costs.

*The need is identity—I am recognized and I play my part.*

**Submission** – My understanding of being a disciple is that I should put God first in my life.

*I see a deeper meaning in life and my giving responds to God and not just the needs of the Church*

**Sacrifice** – I truly believe my Lord, “demands my soul, my life, my all.”

***My Christian calling is to be Christ-like, so naturally I give both joyfully and sacrificially—following Jesus Christ.***

Homework

Design your next full year's stewardship program. What will you do tomorrow? What will you do next year? All year, not just at the October Beg a thon