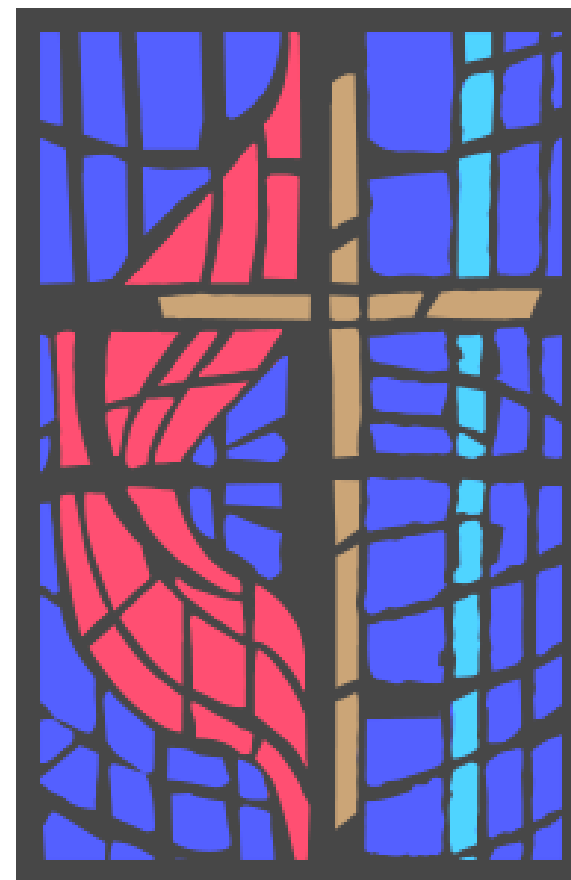


Grow One Step: Seven Day Prayer Guide



Monday October 18th

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

Prayer for Monday:

Thank you, Lord, for the ways You so generously provide for my life. Your generous doses of peace, hope and joy bless my days. And I'm thankful for all that I have for shelter, food, clothing and more. May my life be a reflection of you, and the way You so freely provide for all my needs. Empower me to be a more cheerful and generous giver for You! Amen.

My Reflections for Monday:

Tuesday October 19th

Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 17:13-16

Elijah said to her, "Don't be afraid. Go home and do as you have said. But first make a small loaf of bread for me from what you have and bring it to me, and then make something for yourself and your son. For this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: 'The jar of flour will not be used up and the jug of oil will not run dry until the day the Lord sends rain on the land.'" She went away and did as Elijah had told her. So there was food every day for Elijah and for the woman and her family. For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the Lord spoken by Elijah.

Prayer for Tuesday:

Gracious God, what a beautiful picture of the way You provide enough for our needs when we are obedient to that which you place before us. What joy it is to be confident that You provide. When we prioritize our relationship with You, the blessings never run dry. Even as You provided to this woman so long ago, please continue to pour out Your goodness and blessing into our lives. May my story also praise of your gracious provision. In Jesus' name, Amen. *(Continued)*

My Reflections for Tuesday:

Wednesday October 20th

Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6-10

But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing in the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

Prayer for Wednesday:

Lord Jesus, help me always to be content with what I have. May money and possessions never become my source of peace because that means You are no longer the center of my life. Whether I am blessed with money and possessions or not, I will give You thanks for all that You pour into my life which cannot be measured in dollars and cents. I seek to be thankful and content with whatever I have. May You alone be the treasure of my heart! Amen.

My Reflections for Wednesday:

Thursday October 21st

Scripture Readings:

Deuteronomy 10:14 – *Behold, to the Lord your God belong heaven and the highest heavens, the earth and all that is in it.*

1 Chronicles 29:11 – *Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, indeed everything that is in the heavens and the earth; Yours is the dominion, O Lord, and You exalt Yourself as head over all.*

Psalms 50:10-12 – *For every beast of the forest is Mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. I know every bird of the mountains, and everything that*

moves in the field is Mine. If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the world is Mine, and all it contains.

Prayer for Thursday:

O God, it is so easy to begin to take credit for the ways You have enriched our lives; to not give credit to You for our talents, abilities and accomplishments. Everything in the world is Yours and You have created all things, including me. Today I give You thanks and praise for the gifts, talents and abilities You have freely offered me. May You receive the credit and glory for all I am able to accomplish. Use Your blessings in my life to further Your plans for this world. Amen.

My Reflections for Thursday:

Friday October 22nd

Scripture Reading: John 21:1-6

Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Galilee. It happened this way: Simon Peter, Thomas, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. "I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered. He said, "Throw your nets on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.

Prayer for Friday:

Dear God, I know that often You do not "come through" until I take that step of faith. As I prayerfully reflect on my financial commitment to You through the church, I am thankful that whatever You put on my heart to give, You will bless as an act of faith for changing the World. Thank You for providing opportunities to share in Your work and to be surprised by the blessings. Amen. (continued)

My Reflections for Friday:

Saturday October 23rd

Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:19-21

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Prayer for Saturday:

Dear Jesus, thank you that my actions in this world can lead to joy and blessing both in this life and in the life to come. Only through You is this possible. May my life, and the decisions that I make in it, be pleasing to You and lead to greater joy and fulfillment now and forever. Amen.

My Reflections for Saturday:

Sunday, October 24th - Commitment Sunday

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:7

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion for God loves a cheerful giver.

Prayer for Sunday:

Dear God, give me wisdom to know what Your will is for me this year as I prepare for Commitment Sunday today. Place in my heart Your desire for me and fill me with joy as I trust You to provide. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

My Reflections for Sunday:



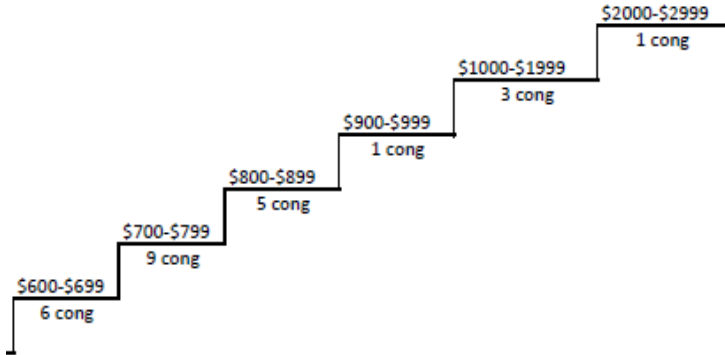
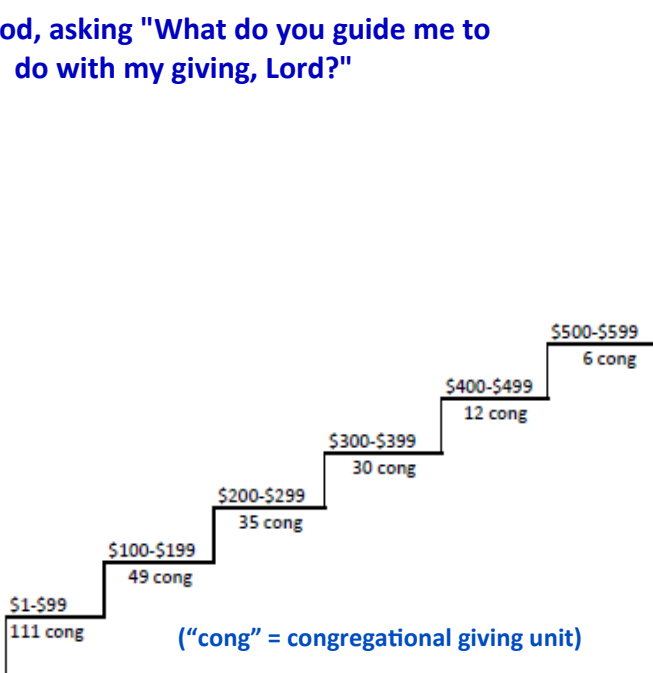
Reflection: How is God inviting me to grow one step toward Jesus?

Will You Grow A Step This Year?

A Breakdown of our Congregation's Monthly Giving

Find where you are on this chart (average monthly giving is shown.)

Pray to God, asking "What do you guide me to do with my giving, Lord?"





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