



Session 3: The characteristics of a Christian Steward

WILLINGNESS TO GIVE BACK WITH INCREASE

- **What implication does WILLINGNESS TO GIVE BACK WITH INCREASE have for me as an individual?**
 - Learning what to give back
 - Discerning to whom, and how much, I give back
 - Understanding that any of my talents can be channelled for good
 - Being pro-active: not sitting back and leaving others do things
 - Learning calmness and patience
 - Doing ordinary things really well
- **What implication does WILLINGNESS TO GIVE BACK WITH INCREASE have for our parish?**
 - Discerning all the talents within the Parish
 - Discerning any encompassing 'parish' talent(s)
 - Being outward-looking
 - Accepting that individuals can make differences
 - Being pro-active: not sitting back and leaving others do things
 - Not leaving everything to a few individuals
 - Drawing out the talents we see in others in our Parish
- **What implication does WILLINGNESS TO GIVE BACK WITH INCREASE have for our world?**
 - We need to witness God's love to both each other and to the wider world
 - Promoting responsible purchasing (impact of Carbon Footprint)
 - Being ready to swim upstream!
- **What is challenging for me about the characteristic of WILLINGNESS TO GIVE BACK WITH INCREASE?**
 - Discerning my own talent(s)
 - Knowing the value of my talent(s)
 - Affirming the talent(s) of others
 - Being able to say 'No' when necessary, as well as saying 'Yes'
 - Having the faith to accept the sacrifices I might need to make
- **What support do we as INDIVIDUALS and as a PARISH need to live out our Willingness to give back with Increase?**
 - We need our parishes to be well organised, and led with clear vision and a strong Stewardship focus
 - Our parishes must believe in the value of teamwork
 - We need individual efforts to be encouraged
- **What support do we need to live out our Willingness to give back with Increase in the WORLD?**
 - We must affirm each other's talent(s)