## Time

GOD GIVES us a life span—long or short.

OUR RESPONSE IS to use the present opportunity to the full.

vision2020 encourages involvement in mission NOW.

#### Money

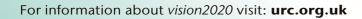
GOD GIVES us all the resources and abilities to make money.

OUR RESPONSE IS to use all of our money as responsible stewards.





For information about stewardship resources, Bible studies, giving programmes and much more contact: **stewardship@urc.org.uk** 







# Stewardship is about the relationship between Christian living and Christian giving

**Stewardship** is the response to God's giving in Jesus Christ. It is about giving, about giving ourselves, without reserve, to achieve God's purposes of love.

**Stewardship** acknowledges that all that we have first comes from God and then poses the question how do we respond and use the gifts that He has given us?

**Stewardship** identifies ten main areas relating to God's gifts and our responses. This leaflet is an introduction to them.



# Worship

GOD GIVES all of life completely out of love.

OUR RESPONSE IS to worship God.

vision2020 encourages us to grow in prayer and spirituality and develop our discernment of where God is and what He is calling us to do.

#### **Peace**

GOD GIVES peace such as the world cannot give.

OUR RESPONSE IS to be active peacemakers.

vision2020 encourages us to build relationships across the church and across the world.

#### Justice

GOD GIVES everything to everyone, for God loves everyone equally.

OUR RESPONSE IS to share what God has given and treat everyone with respect.

vision2020 encourages us to challenge injustice, care for the poor and be peacemakers.

# **Body**

GOD GIVES us intricate and wonderful bodies of such variety.

OUR RESPONSE IS to treat them with respect, care for them and use them wisely.

vision2020 encourages us to treat ourselves and others with respect and love as an integral part of God's creation.

# Gospel

GOD GIVES the greatest gift of all—lesus.

OUR RESPONSE IS to receive this gift for ourselves and share it with others.

vision2020 encourages sharing the Good news with all (families, friends and strangers) through story and action.

#### Creation

GOD GIVES us the world.

OUR RESPONSE IS to care for it and use it responsibly.

vision2020 encourages safeguarding, sustaining and renewing the life of the Earth.

## **Property**

GOD GIVES creative abilities and resources to build private and public property.

OUR RESPONSE IS to care for property handed on to us in trust and to put it to creative use in our generation.

vision2020 encourages churches to be active in the life of local neighbourhoods.

# People

GOD GIVES people to each other, created in His image.

OUR RESPONSE IS to help each other become the people god intends us to be.

vision2020 encourages us to embrace and welcome all people equally.