



Cultivating Contentment

How can we cultivate contentment?

Certain mindsets can steal our contentment, including worry, materialism, and apathy. Contentment is cultivated in the soil of trust and generosity. Grounded confidence in God's provision teaches us that we can have a healthy relationship with money and possessions that brings gratitude and God's peace.

How should our gifts grow?

Contentment isn't something we find or buy or achieve. It is something we learn. Our gifts grow when we see generosity as a fruit of contentment. When we learn to be content with what God has given us, we remember that our wealth and resources are a blessing from God to be used to bless others.

The Giving Path

Jesus said, **"Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them."** - **Matthew 6:26**

When we take a step along the Giving Path, we move forward in our spiritual journey to be more like Christ. What is your next step?

First-Time Giver:
Begin to give.



Intentional Giver:
Plan what percentage of your income to give for a year.



Growing Giver:
Increase the percentage of income toward a tithe.



Tither:
Begin to give a tithe (10% of income).



Extravagant Giver:
Give beyond the tithe, called an offering (More than 10% of income).



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Join us Sunday,
October 25th!

Contemporary Worship:
9am in the Worship Center

Traditional Worship:
10:30am in the Sanctuary

Or worship online at
SuntreeUMC.org/Live

Personal Plan for Generosity Growth

Below is a table calculating suggested percentage of monthly giving options based on Annual Income.



MONTHLY GIVING

Annual Income	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	10%	12%	15%
\$10,000	\$8	\$17	\$25	\$33	\$42	\$50	\$58	\$67	\$75	\$83	\$100	\$125
\$20,000	\$17	\$33	\$50	\$67	\$83	\$100	\$117	\$133	\$150	\$167	\$200	\$250
\$30,000	\$25	\$50	\$75	\$100	\$125	\$150	\$175	\$200	\$225	\$250	\$300	\$375
\$40,000	\$33	\$67	\$100	\$133	\$167	\$200	\$233	\$267	\$300	\$333	\$400	\$500
\$50,000	\$42	\$83	\$125	\$167	\$208	\$250	\$292	\$333	\$375	\$417	\$500	\$625
\$60,000	\$50	\$100	\$150	\$200	\$250	\$300	\$350	\$400	\$450	\$500	\$600	\$750
\$70,000	\$58	\$117	\$175	\$233	\$292	\$350	\$408	\$467	\$525	\$585	\$700	\$875
\$80,000	\$67	\$133	\$200	\$267	\$333	\$400	\$467	\$533	\$600	\$667	\$800	\$1,000
\$90,000	\$75	\$150	\$225	\$300	\$375	\$450	\$525	\$600	\$675	\$750	\$900	\$1,125
\$100,000	\$83	\$167	\$250	\$333	\$417	\$500	\$583	\$677	\$750	\$833	\$1,000	\$1,250
\$110,000	\$92	\$183	\$275	\$367	\$458	\$550	\$642	\$733	\$825	\$917	\$1,100	\$1,375
\$120,000	\$100	\$200	\$300	\$400	\$500	\$600	\$700	\$800	\$900	\$1,000	\$1,200	\$1,500
\$130,000	\$108	\$217	\$325	\$433	\$542	\$650	\$758	\$866	\$975	\$1,083	\$1,300	\$1,625
\$140,000	\$117	\$233	\$350	\$467	\$583	\$700	\$817	\$933	\$1,050	\$1,167	\$1,400	\$1,750
\$150,000	\$125	\$250	\$375	\$500	\$625	\$750	\$875	\$1,000	\$1,125	\$1,250	\$1,500	\$1,875
\$175,000	\$146	\$292	\$438	\$583	\$729	\$875	\$1,021	\$1,167	\$1,313	\$1,458	\$1,750	\$2,188
\$200,000	\$167	\$333	\$500	\$667	\$833	\$1,000	\$1,167	\$1,333	\$1,500	\$1,667	\$2,000	\$2,500

1. Find out where your current level of giving is on the chart (the intersection of your Annual Income row and Monthly Giving column).
2. Move to the right to determine how many steps you are willing to take on your personal giving path.