



HANDLE WITH **HIS HEART**

PROPAGANDA OF MORE

TRY LONG-LASTING

CONSUMERISM

Feeling low? Down in the dumps? Blue? CONSUMERISM has what it takes to put a smile back on your face! Using a patented method of irrational buying and acute materialism, CONSUMERISM makes you happy - EVERY SINGLE TIME.

CUT OUT THIS FORM, AND MAIL IT ALONG WITH SIX BOX TOPS, A SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE AND FIVE DOLLARS HANDLING TO RECIEVE A

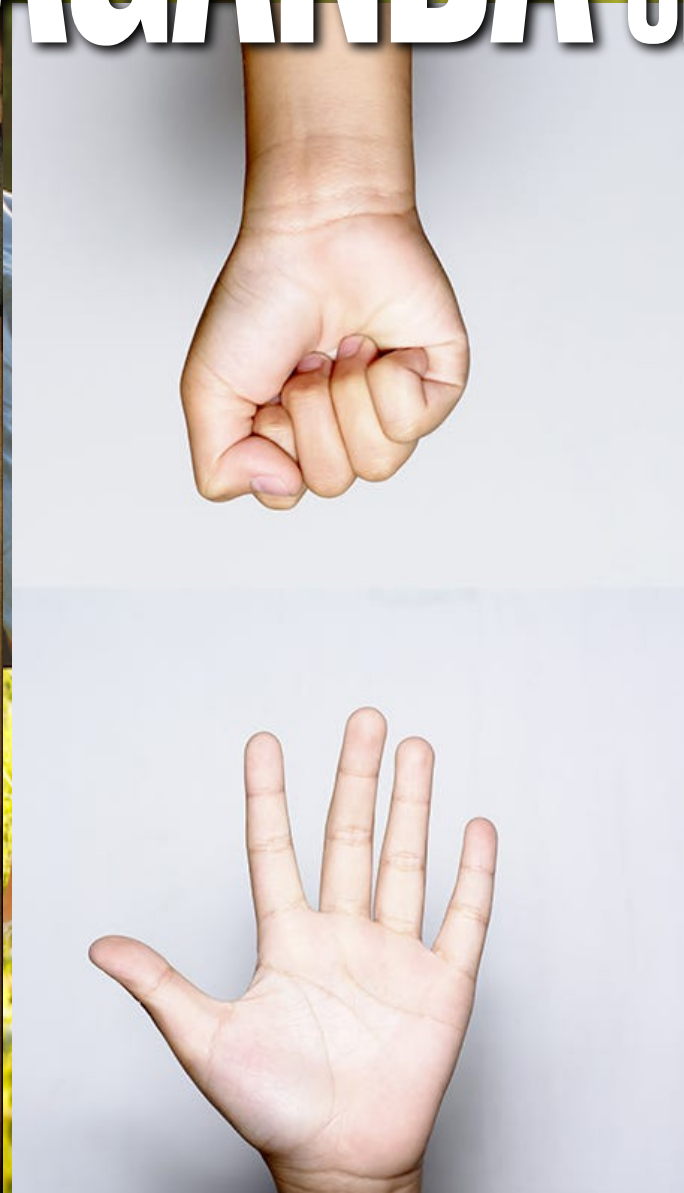
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COPY OF OUR CONSUMERISM BROCHURE IN FULL COLOR!

YES! I WANT MORE INFORMATION ON HOW CONSUMERISM CAN TURN MY FROWN AROUND!

Circle one:

CHECK OR CASH



IT IS MORE
BLESSED TO

give

THAN TO
RECEIVE.

ACTS 20:35



STEWARDSHIP

The background of the slide is a scenic landscape. In the foreground, there's a gravel path leading towards a wooden building partially obscured by trees. To the left, a large, light-colored rock sits on a rocky outcrop. The middle ground shows a dense forest of evergreen trees. In the background, a calm lake reflects the sky, with a forested island in the center. The far shore is also covered in trees under a hazy sky.

FROM EVERYONE WHO HAS BEEN GIVEN MUCH, MUCH WILL BE DEMANDED; AND FROM THE ONE WHO HAS BEEN ENTRUSTED WITH MUCH, MUCH MORE WILL BE ASKED.

LUKE 12:48

Stewardship is “The active and responsible management of God’s resources for God’s purposes.”

1. GOD OWNS IT ALL

Ownership is an
Optical Illusion that
Tricks Us into Believing
that We are in Control of
What Only
God can
Give.

“...the land is mine and you
reside in my land as foreigners
and strangers.”

- LEVITICUS 25:23 -

“The earth is the Lord's, and
everything in it, the world and
all who live in it.”

- PSALM 24:1 -

“The silver is mine, and the
gold is mine, says
the Lord Almighty.”

- HAGGAI 2:8 -

2. USE IT TO DO GOOD

Live below your means
but within your needs.
Follow this rule and
you will always

**BE POWERFUL
WITH MONEY.**

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do good and
share with others,
for with such
sacrifices God is
pleased.

HEBREWS 13:16

3. BLESSED TO GIVE, NOT HOARD

MEN ARE **UNDOUBTEDLY** MORE IN DANGER FROM **PROSPERITY** THAN FROM ADVERSITY. FOR WHEN MATTERS **GO** SMOOTHLY, THEY FLATTER THEMSELVES, AND ARE **INTOXICATED** BY THEIR SUCCESS.

JOHN CALVIN

“You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don’t give reluctantly or in response to pressure. “For God loves a person who gives cheerfully.” And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need, and plenty left over to share with others. As the Scriptures say, “They share freely and give generously to the poor. Their good deeds will be remembered forever.”

For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, He will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you.

Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous. And when we take your gifts to those who need them, they will thank God.”

GUIDELINES IN GIVING

- 1. Regularly:** 1 Corinthians 16:2, “On the first day of each week, you should each put aside a portion of the money you have earned.”
- 2. Proportionally:** 1 Corinthians 16:2 (NIV), “Each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income.”
- 3. Sacrificially:** 2 Corinthians 8:3, “They gave not only what they could afford, but far more.”
- 4. Cheerfully:** 2 Corinthians 9:7c, “God loves a person who gives cheerfully.”
- 5. Responsively:** 2 Corinthians 9:7a, “You must each decide in your heart how much to give.”
- 6. Voluntarily:** 2 Corinthians 9:7b, “And don’t give reluctantly or in response to pressure.”



APPLICATION

HOLY SPIRIT, help us to see all we have as GOD'S, including our very selves, that we may learn the power, and the joy, of living like we've nothing to lose, yet everything to gain, in YOU.

The first step toward generosity is not necessarily giving your money away. The first discipline is bringing order. If your finances are chaotic, you don't really know what you have (or don't have) to give. Proverbs says,

“Pay close attention to the condition of your flocks and herds.”

This passage invites us to pay attention: know what you have – get what you have in order, bring it under control, so that you can begin to live within your margins, cut out excesses, and learn to be generous like our Father is generous.