

An Ounce of Prevention

Many times we give money in response to a felt need or in response to a tragedy—it's emotional and the results are measurable. But in addition to that, what would it look like to become someone who was not only an intervention giver, but a prevention giver?

Discussion Questions

1. Growing up, what messaging did you receive when it came to giving financially to a local church?
2. If someone looked at how you spent your money, what would they conclude are your priorities?
3. Read **Luke 12:32–34**. What stands out to you from that passage?
4. Would you categorize yourself more as a “1.0” giver, or are you a “2.0” giver?
Giving 1.0: Giving in response to a need—to help *intervene*
Giving 2.0: Giving systematically to support an organization—to help *prevent*
5. It can be easy to not give systematically to your local church because you feel the church doesn't really need your money. But respond to this: If you'll only give to a church that *needs* your money, but you won't *attend* a church that really needs your money, you'll never give to a church you actually attend.
6. Do you currently have a plan to regularly give financially to a local church? If not, what step you could take?

Moving Forward

Most people are 1.0 givers, but you don't have to settle for average. In addition to giving in response to needs, look to become a 2.0 giver. Come up with a plan for how you can support your local church financially. When you do that, it's immeasurable how much *preventative* work you'll be a part of.