

(4<sup>th</sup> Quarter)

## STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE FOR YOUR CHURCH

Do you consider yourself wealthy? Most of us in the U.S. feel we are not wealthy because we can always point to someone else who has more.

But isn't it a matter of perspective? Did you know that over half of the people in the world live on two dollars a day or less? Did you realize that 93 percent of the world doesn't own a car? If your income is \$25,000 per year, you are wealthier than 90 percent of the world. If you make \$50,000 or more per year, you are wealthier than 99 percent of the world!

Jesus had a lot to say about money. In fact the Bible devotes twice as many verses to money as it does to faith and prayer combined and fully fifteen percent of Jesus' recorded words dealt with money. (Information in last two paragraphs from *The Hole in our Gospel* by Richard Stearns)

Thanks to the forethought and generosity of a donor, the Foundation will have about \$10,000 available in Bremer Mission Matching Grants. The grants can be for \$250 or \$500, must be matched by the church, they can be used for missions local to global, and when completed simply email us a picture. The forms are now available and will be accepted until February, 2012, when the funds will be distributed. (Go to [www.DakotasUMF.org](http://www.DakotasUMF.org)/click on Services to Churches tab on left)

The hope is to generate good for others. Look around your church, your home, your community and understand how blessed we all are. Let's share some of those blessings with others.

**Dakotas United  
Methodist Foundation**  
1331 W University Ave  
PO Box 460  
Mitchell, SD 57301  
800-224-6552 / [www.DakotasUMF.org](http://www.DakotasUMF.org)



(4<sup>th</sup> Quarter)

## STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE FOR YOUR CHURCH

Do you consider yourself wealthy? Most of us in the U.S. feel we are not wealthy because we can always point to someone else who has more.

But isn't it a matter of perspective? Did you know that over half of the people in the world live on two dollars a day or less? Did you realize that 93 percent of the world doesn't own a car? If your income is \$25,000 per year, you are wealthier than 90 percent of the world. If you make \$50,000 or more per year, you are wealthier than 99 percent of the world!

Jesus had a lot to say about money. In fact the Bible devotes twice as many verses to money as it does to faith and prayer combined and fully fifteen percent of Jesus' recorded words dealt with money. (Information in last two paragraphs from *The Hole in our Gospel* by Richard Stearns)

Thanks to the forethought and generosity of a donor, the Foundation will have about \$10,000 available in Bremer Mission Matching Grants. The grants can be for \$250 or \$500, must be matched by the church, they can be used for missions local to global, and when completed simply email us a picture. The forms are now available and will be accepted until February, 2012, when the funds will be distributed. (Go to [www.DakotasUMF.org](http://www.DakotasUMF.org)/click on Services to Churches tab on left)

The hope is to generate good for others. Look around your church, your home, your community and understand how blessed we all are. Let's share some of those blessings with others.

**Dakotas United  
Methodist Foundation**  
1331 W University Ave  
PO Box 460  
Mitchell, SD 57301  
800-224-6552 / [www.DakotasUMF.org](http://www.DakotasUMF.org)

