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A World of Possibility

When you look at the world, what do you see? Many people see chaos and disorder. Some see a personal playground. Others see both a world of great need and a world of nearly limitless resources. In many ways, how we look at the world defines how we approach stewardship and our mission in the world.

Seeing the world through God's eyes should move us to love the world as God loves it. And love takes action.

The offices of Global Mission, Nazarene Missions International, and Stewardship Ministries joined together to offer a new resource designed to help you and your congregation look at the world through God's eyes – and do something about it.

A WORLD OF POSSIBILITY is a five-week series with a focus on stewardship and mission. During this five-week series, your people will learn to see the world not as the economists, the pundits, or the politicians see it, but as God does. Certainly, this requires basic principles of Christian stewardship. But it also speaks to the heart of mission - joining God's mission to see the world transformed by the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Created and written by General Superintendent Stan Toler, this series will give you the tools to help your people discover God's purpose for their lives and motivate them to use their time, talent, and treasure to create the future God planned for his people.

This series will help you and your congregation gain a missional perspective on the world around us. What do we see when they look at our community? What do we see when we look at our neighbors and coworkers? What do we see when we look at suffering around the world?

A WORLD OF POSSIBILITY is available for free on the Nazarene Media Library at <http://www.nazarenemedialibrary.org/>. This resource includes five sermons, PowerPoint presentations, letters for your congregation, bulletin inserts, and age group lessons for children, youth, and adults.

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Family Stewardship Calendar

While sermons and lessons on stewardship are good, the best way to teach stewardship to children and youth is through the family. Children and teens learn about stewardship first and foremost, by what they see and hear from their parents. This includes all types of stewardship: tithing, use of talents and time, and stewardship of the earth.

The Family Stewardship Calendar is a new resource that can guide parents in modeling and teaching stewardship. The calendar provides monthly scriptures to learn and projects that involve giving, doing, and caring.

The Family Stewardship Calendar is available online at www.nazarene.org/stewardship in the Teach Stewardship section. Or, [go directly to the calendar](#).

This calendar is a free resource and can be copied and provided to each family in your church. Encourage your families to model and teach stewardship in the home and use the Family Stewardship Calendar as a guide.

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