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	Part 1
•	What does that Bible say about the question, "Should I give to panhandlers?"
	<ul> <li>The answer is certainly not easy or straightforward because Christians widely disagree about what to do.</li> </ul>
•	The Bible exhorts us to be wise. Which means making good discernments based on the context of the situation.
•	Why we shouldn't give:
	<ul> <li>We are called to be wise stewards of God's money (Prov 13:22, 21:20, 1 Cor 16:2).</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Being wise stewards implies not using it in a way that is unwise, such as giving it to people in a way that enables them to continue to make unhealthy choices such as</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Addictive behaviour (Prov 21:17).</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Laziness (Prov 10:4, 1 Thes 3:10-12).</li> </ul>
	■ Foolishness (Prov 22:26-27).

• Why we don't give:

etc.

Extortion and lying (Prov 13:7).

• We have no way of knowing if their story is true.

o The need is too big and complex.

who are spiritually impoverished.

Uncertainty is no excuse for not giving.

• The cross: Jesus was motivated by compassion to give everything for us

o Selfish sinful reasons: greed, being uncomfortable, judgement,

Making a little difference is still making a difference.



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## To Give or Not to Give?

Sunday Dec 8th, 2019 Speaker: Pastor Keith Piquette

9:00-10:00am Prayer in the Downstairs Fireside 10:30 Service

This month's elder is Scott Cushing In case of need or an emergency he can be reached at 416-209-9393



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