

*This template offers a simple and compelling way to talk about generosity and discipleship through the framework of the church's mission initiatives and enduring principles. As always, please adapt as needed to fit your congregation or group's specific needs.*

## **Disciples Generous Response**

**FOCUS: Witness the Word—Disciples Generous Response videos**

<b>INTRODUCTION</b>	<p>[Read aloud]</p> <p>Because we have been so greatly blessed by God's generous grace, we can't help but generously share our witness, resources, ministries and sacraments in return.</p> <p>In response to God's Spirit we are called to continue becoming a prophetic people characterized by uncommon devotion to the compassion and peace of God revealed in Jesus Christ. Our giving to mission makes change possible on a scale larger than we have ever considered before.</p>
<b>FIND A VIDEO</b>	<p><i>Select a Disciples Generous Response video:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Witness the Word DVDs mailed quarterly to your pastor</i></li> <li>• <i>Download Witness the Word offertory videos online at <a href="http://www.CofChrist.org/worship/sermons.asp">www.CofChrist.org/worship/sermons.asp</a></i></li> </ul>
<b>SHARE THE VIDEO</b>	<p>Today our Disciples Generous Response is brought to us by _____.</p> <p><i>[use name of the person giving the offertory via the Witness the Word DVD]</i></p> <p>I hope it inspires you!</p>
<b>CLOSING</b>	<p>[Read aloud]</p> <p>Right now we have the opportunity to joyfully share all that we are and have to support Christ's mission of evangelism, compassionate ministries, and the pursuit of justice and peace.</p> <p>Our giving is a response to God's grace in our lives.</p> <p>Each time we give, lives are changed and Christ's mission moves forward.</p>
<b>PRAYER</b>	<p><i>Give a blessing over the gifts offered today.</i></p>