

Stewardship As A Way of Life

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Stewardship

Definition

- Change of heart – way of life
- What owns me and what do I own?
- Stewardship is the new evangelization of the Catholic Church
- Stewardship should change the way we live our day to day lives
- Theology of stewardship: God is the owner and giver of all things – we are all called to be good stewards – all my talents are a gift from God
- Every baptized person is called to be a disciple of Jesus Christ
– **no matter what the cost**

Stewardship

- The Vatican Council invites and encourages us all to action
- Conversion is never complete:

IT IS ALWAYS ON-GOING

THE KINGDOM ALWAYS LIES BEYOND

- Sometimes we do not understand the cost and what this means
- It is really a gift of gratitude
- Let us look at the stuff in our lives. Does it glorify God?
- We are looking for something to fill the void in our lives and that void is Jesus Christ

Jesus said “I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.”

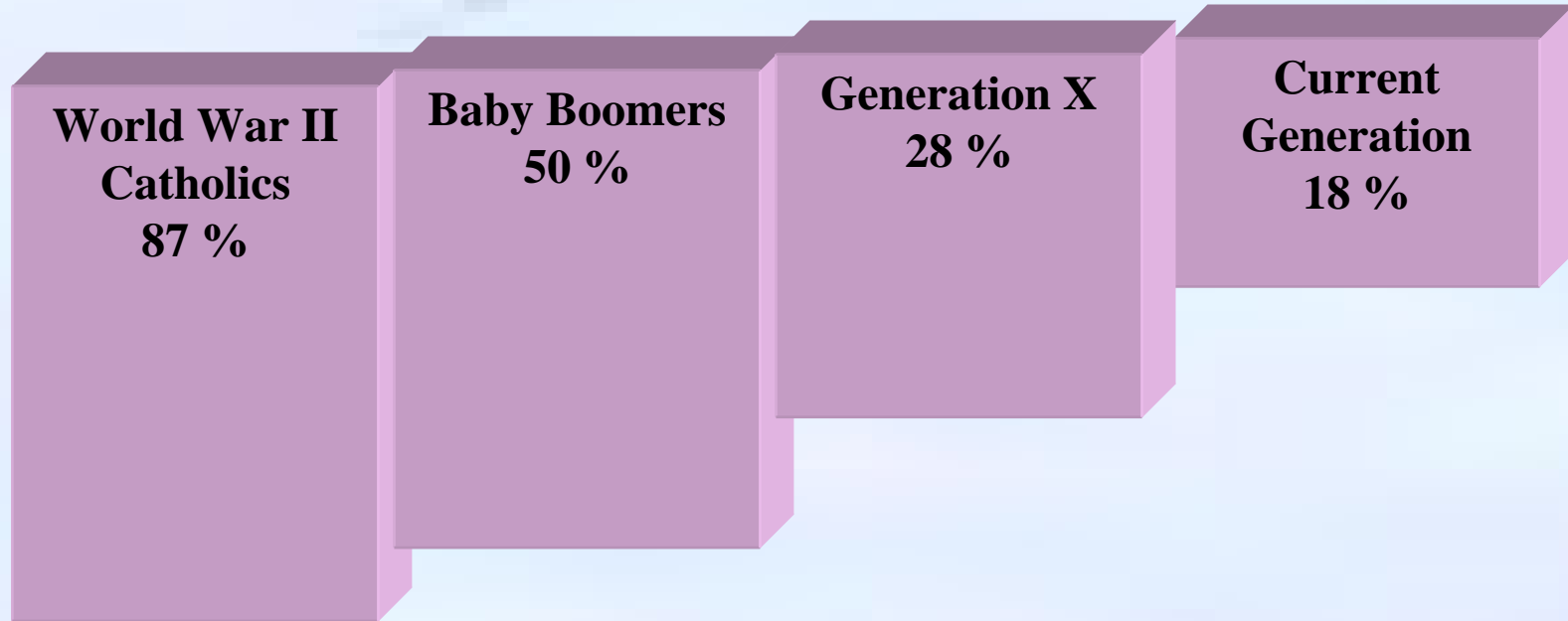
This is true spirituality

Treasure

- Your checkbook and your calendars speak to your values
- 19 out of 36 parables Jesus speaks about money
- Your treasure is where your heart is
- My first encounter with stewardship
- Our culture has crept into our Church. Stewardship is a tool to combat this
- Where stewardship has a foot hold in the parish – it is vibrant and alive
- Stewardship energizes the person to make a decision for Christ



1. Catholic Church attendance



2. A call to holiness is a call to stewardship

3. It is a life style change

4. Our culture is a quick fix society

5. If we give 10% of \$2,000 that is \$200. The real question is – what do we do with the \$1,800? How do we live our lives?

THERE ARE NO SHORTCUTS

ENJOYING THE BALANCE OF
FAITH, FAMILY, AND CAREER



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