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THE KING'S  
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

## TKCS Philosophy of Stewardship

### Introduction/Summary

The King's Christian School is committed to doing all things for the glory of God. This includes how we engage in our development/stewardship efforts. By providing a biblical basis and framework for development and stewardship, it is our aim to encourage, inspire, and lead the community to participate in God's amazing plan and ever-expanding Kingdom. The culmination of these efforts should be to assist God's people to be transformed and blessed so that God can be honored and worshiped (Matt. 5:16).

The TKCS Philosophy of Stewardship contains four foundational commitments with five implications that flow from them.

### Foundational Commitments

#### 1. God owns all things and He needs nothing

*Key scripture: Acts 17:24-25* "The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything." (ESV)

Based upon this scriptural truth, we believe:

- Everything belongs to God, Our Creator.
- God is not dependent on our service or our resources. Rather, He invites us to partner with Him in His work, which includes our school's ministry and all who support it.
- Accordingly, we commit to working and ministering in ways that reflect this understanding by trusting God completely for our every need and giving Him the glory in all things.

#### 2. God is rich in love and exceedingly generous

*Key scripture: 2 Corinthians 9:8* "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work." (ESV)

Based upon this scriptural truth we believe:

- God is our sole provider. Everything we need for life **and ministry** comes from Him, with salvation through Jesus Christ being the foundational gift He has provided.



- No one can “out-give” God.
- Accordingly, as bearers of God’s image, we are called to reflect His generosity to us through the faithful and consistent giving of our time, talents, and resources.

3. Everything we have is a gift from God, which He has entrusted us to steward, not to own.

*Key Scripture: 2 Peter 1:3* “His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence.” (ESV)

Based upon this scriptural truth, we believe:

- God has both endowed and equipped us to be faithful stewards of all that He has blessed us with.
- We must fight our sinful nature and its desire to claim ownership over the things God has called us to steward. It is the school’s responsibility to steward the resources that God provides, as they are His, not the school’s.
- We are all on a journey of faith to become more deeply committed stewards of everything in our lives, work, and ministries—not just those of us involved in the Lord’s ministry at TKCS, but also those with whom we co-labor.
- Accordingly, we commit to being used by God to help one another on our respective journeys as we seek, together, to be more faithful and obedient stewards of the things God has given to us.

4. Our development efforts are a ministry whereby we seek to help people recognize God’s calling to be faithful stewards of what God has given them.

*Key Scripture: 2 Corinthians 9:11* “You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.” (ESV) Based upon this scriptural truth, we believe:

- God calls us to be faithful ministers to our co-laborers, especially those who are led to support us financially.
- Accordingly, with a full understanding that raising money is simply a required means to the more important end of Kingdom work, we commit to encouraging Christians to willingly and gratefully steward some of their resources by supporting the ministry work of TKCS.

### **Five implications for Our Life and Work**

1. God is the ultimate provider for our ministry. We will rely solely upon Him to impart resources that support our initiatives.



2. Prayer is our greatest development tool. We will faithfully seek God's wisdom and discernment in all of our efforts. We trust that God will lead us in our work and direct the outcomes according to His perfect will.
3. Our goal is for our ministry partners to prayerfully support our work primarily because their passions truly align with our mission and through the Lord's leading in their lives, rather than because of the persuasiveness of our words. We will trust the Lord to use us to bring transformation into the lives of our ministry partners, rather than purely to benefit financially from them.
4. We commit to being faithful stewards of the resources God blesses us with. We will handle finances and gifts to TKCS responsibly, transparently, and with accountability.
5. Because we know and serve the Owner of all, we will seek to be a blessing to our ministry partners and constituents by conducting our affairs with integrity, excellence, authenticity, and concern for others.

## **Conclusion**

We believe God has called us to this ministry as stewards. As we seek to be obedient, we trust that He will bless us and all who serve and support our work with His joy and abundance.