

OVERCOMING OBSTACLES TO DEVELOPING STEWARDSHIP

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SPEAK LANGUAGE PEOPLE UNDERSTAND.

- Listen carefully, my son, to the master's instructions, and attend to them with the ear of your heart. (*Rule of Benedict Prologue 1*)
- Meet the people where they are.
- Use the word "disciple" regularly.
- This is **HOSPITALITY**.



IT ALL RESTS ON PRAYER.

- First of all, every time you begin a good work, you must pray to him most earnestly to bring it to perfection. (*Rule of Benedict Prologue 4*)
- Time is God's gift. 1,440 minutes each day. 10%=144 minutes. 1/3 is 48 minutes.
- Return on investment.
- The centrality of giftedness.
- This is PRAYER.



**GOD IS THE POTTER.
WE ARE THE CLAY.**

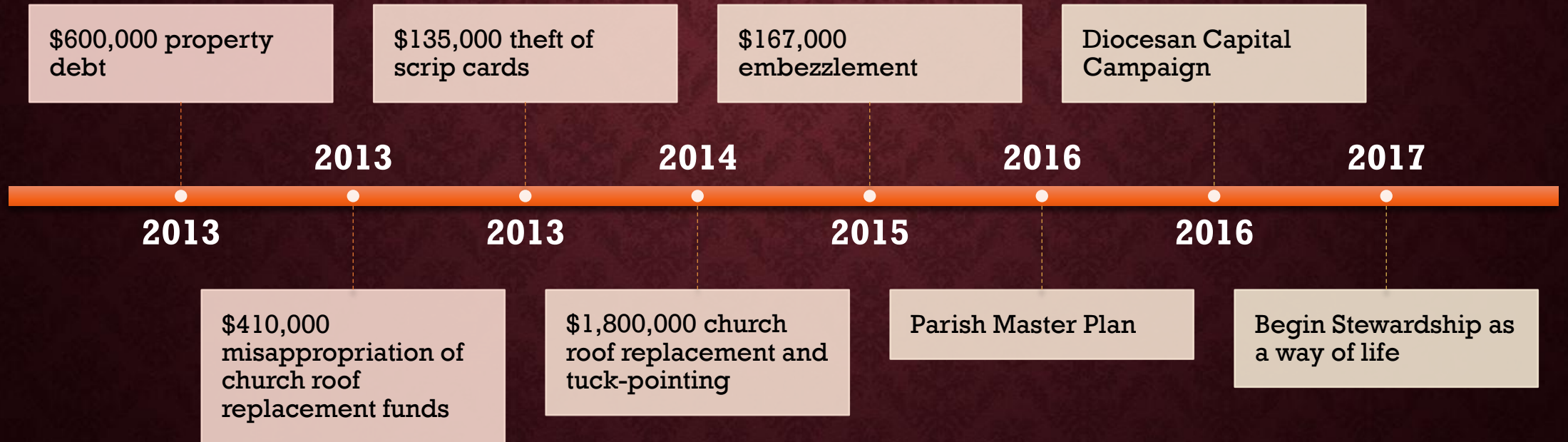
- The reason why we have said all should be called for counsel is that the Lord often reveals what is better to the younger. (*Rule of Benedict 3:3*)
- All stand to learn.
- Remaining malleable is part of the disciple's life.
- This is **FORMATION**.

TEND TO THE NEEDS OF OTHERS.

- Never give a hollow greeting of peace or turn away when someone needs your love. (*Rule of Benedict 4:25-26*)
- Stranger-danger leads to ignoring Christ in the least.
- Hospitality for the needy Christ.
- This is SERVICE.



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AND HERE WE GO!

	Commitment Cards Returned (of active households)	Commitments				Offertory Pledge Increase	Average Pledge	
		Prayer	Ministry	Ministry New	Ministry Renewal			
St. Benedict Cathedral Evansville, IN 1,100 Families	2017	52%	1,786	2,152	592	1,560	\$178,894	\$2,324
	2018	53%	2,449	1,802	518	1,284	\$172,311	\$2,460
	2019	54%	3,112	1,635	368	1,265	\$260,895	\$2,874
	2020	33%	3,364	1,393	476	914	\$155,656	\$2,571
	2021	32%	2,506	1,180	262	918	\$108,229	\$3,204
St. Peter Cathedral Belleville, IL 500 Families	2022	16%	1,335	506	252	254	\$15,218	\$2,843
	2023	34%	1,563	577	161	416	\$29,985	\$2,719
	2024	33%	1,411	594	193	401	\$74,004	\$3,255
	2025	34%	1,717	629	143	486	\$45,772	\$3,087