



# Making Choices That Make a Difference

In addition to his generosity and love of children, filmmaker Walt Disney had a reputation for cutting away anything that disturbed a story's pacing. Ward Kimball, animator for *Snow White*, recalls working 240 days on a 4.5-minute sequence in which the dwarves made soup for Snow White and nearly destroyed the kitchen in the process. Although Walt Disney thought the scene was funny, he felt it interrupted the flow of the picture and ordered it removed. Disney understood the greater story he wanted to tell and made choices accordingly. *(Story adapted from Kenneth Langley.)*

Life is full of choices, and the ones we make today directly affect the larger story of our lives. This includes how we spend our money. Exercising biblical stewardship means acknowledging the resources God has entrusted to us. When investing, there are three choices we can make:

1. High-risk investments
2. Safe but low-yield investments
3. A guaranteed rate of return

**Charitable Gift Annuities (CGAs) are the perfect example of Option Three.** CGAs provide a secure and predictable income for your retirement while blessing the ministries you care about, like Life Action. CGAs offer other benefits too, including:

- A guaranteed rate of return that is 4–5 times greater than that of CDs
- An income stream that is payable for life
- Tax deductions—whether you fund a CGA using cash or appreciated stock, you're entitled to an income tax deduction for a portion of the amount you invest; plus, gifts of appreciated stock can help you save on capital gains
- The ability to impact lives for Jesus Christ through a legacy gift

Don't let good choices be left on the cutting room floor. Instead, consider how your choices, such as making a gift with a Charitable Gift Annuity, can bring about blessing for the kingdom of God.

*Fear the LORD and serve him faithfully with all your heart (1 Samuel 12:24).*

I would like information on leaving an eternal impact through donating retirement assets.

I have already included Life Action Ministries in my will, trust, or estate plan.

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