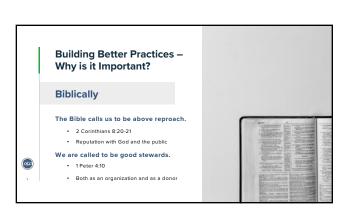


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"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

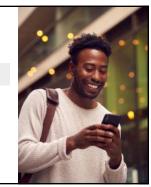
– Matthew 5:16



Building Better Practices – Why is it Important?

An Alert Society

- 1. Everyone has a platform.
- 2. Donors are watching there are more ways to learn about ministries and their use of funds through the internet now than ever before.
- 3. Transparency is crucial!





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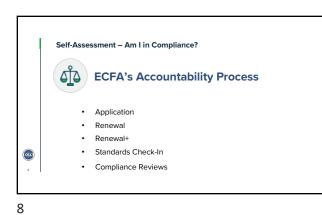


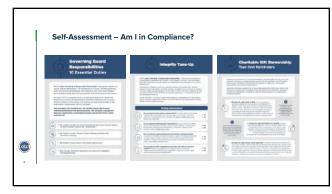
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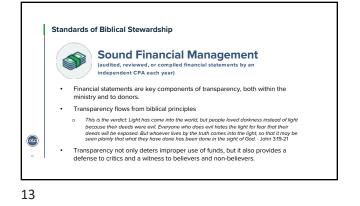


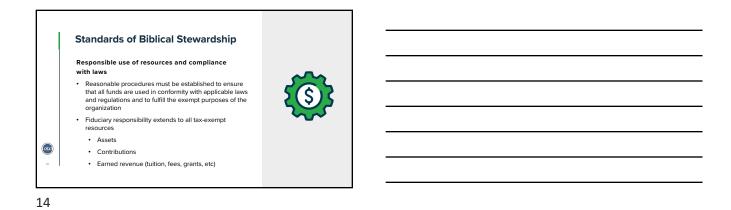






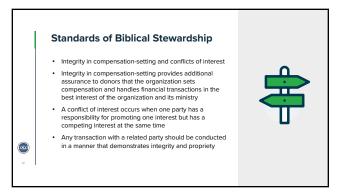
	ndependent, Responsible Board Governance
	When a ministry encounters failure its difficulties can almost always be traced to a breakdown in governance
•	Organizations should seek individuals whose gifts and abilities will benefit the organization and who will provide dynamic interaction at board meetings
•	An active, informed board will hold to the mission, protect the integrity of the ministry, and ensure consistent adherence to board policies
	Paul's instructions to Timothy in 1 Timothy 3:1-10 can serve as a helpful guide for the selection of board members
	After selecting board members, the organization should provide orientation and trainin















God-Honoring Fundraising Practices

Donor expectations and intent

Standards of Biblical Stewardship

Abiding by giver intent is one of the most important evidences of integrity when a ministry raises resources.

Charitable gift communication

- Donors should be provided with appropriate and timely charitable gift acknowledgements.
- For gifts of services or the use of facilities at no cost, only appreciation should be expressed, since the fair market value of these gifts is not tax-deductible.

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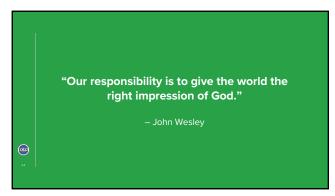
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