Stewardship of My New City

☐ Display today’s topic
☐ Song service
☐ Opening prayer

Reinforcement Time
With Show and Tell Volunteers

What will be most exciting for you in heaven? Is there anything about heaven that scares you?
[Invite the show and tell volunteers to present what they have brought that illustrates good stewardship. You may be able to add some of what they brought to the Stewardship Bulletin Board.]

[Ask for volunteers who will bring something to the next meeting that reminds them or teaches them about stewardship of our new city.]

Activity: Picturing the New Jerusalem.

[You will want to have adult supervision for each group. If possible, tell each adult ahead of time what the responsibility will be so he/she can be prepared to guide the creativity of the group. Provide drawing supplies and poster board or heavy paper, the same size for each group. At the end of today’s program you will put the pictures in order to form one or more books. A small group may produce one book. A larger group may produce several books.]

The New Jerusalem is the beautiful city in
heaven where Jesus has prepared our mansions. At the end of the millennium it will come down here to the New Earth, so we will have forever to enjoy this wonderful city.

Today we're going to read what the Bible says about it and then draw pictures of our new city. [Have volunteers read the following verses while someone makes a list on the flip chart of the information about the city. Rev. 21:10-14, 19 first half; 21-17; Rev. 22: 1. Encourage any questions or comments. The more interested the participants are in the description, the more interesting pictures they will draw.]

[Now give each person or small group the sheets of poster board or paper to draw a picture of heaven. Let each one choose what to draw, but if suggestions are needed, here they are: the river; trees; Jesus; children with wings; animals; houses; or whatever they think will be special in heaven.]

[After the pictures are completed, if there is time, let each group present and explain their pictures. Save the "book(s)" for showing at the close of this series of stewardship programs.]

[If you need more activities, choose those the group will enjoy repeating, or have not yet done. Help them remember how the activity relates to stewardship.]

[Closing Song: "Shall We Gather at the River?" The Church Hymnal, No. 555; The SDA Hymnal, No. 432.]

❑ **Reminder to Show and Tell Volunteers**

[Call the names of those who volunteered for the next program and hand them written reminders. See the Sample Program for a suggested reminder.]

❑ **Closing prayer**

❑ **Summary**

[Suggested questions to ask: What do you know now about stewardship that you did not know before we began these programs? How are you planning to be a good steward in the New Jerusalem?]