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Stewardship Tools for Leaders : Quotes & Illustrations

Title: Of courgettes and storage shelves ...

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The table in the staff room at work becomes a veritable supermarket every summer as various staff members start bringing some of the fresh vegetables from their gardens. Tomatoes and green beans usually disappear in a few minutes when put out on the table, as do lettuce and cucumbers. But invariably, at the end of every day, there is always some courgettes. In fact, sometimes we throw away some of the courgettes. To the keen gardeners as well as other office staff, the superabundance of courgettes each summer always seems to be a burden.

If there are any, name some blessings of God in your life that have become 'unbearable' by their abundance. Hold on, before you reject such a suggestion out of hand, picture in your mind all that 'stuff' in the storage shelves of your garage, your attic, or in your cupboards. Now consider again: Are there things in your life that are a burden because of their abundance? Why not share some of your abundance with other people who might really need clothes, kitchen items, or other possessions you hardly ever use.