

**Appendix 5**  
**Changing Behaviors**

**Would the following lead you to increase your financial giving and volunteer service in support of ministries that assist those whom Christ calls “the least of these my brethren” in the Parable of the Sheep and the Goats (Matthew 25:31-46)?**

	Very Unlikely	Not Likely	Neutral	Likely	Very Likely
Invitations from friends to join them as volunteers.	2 1%	2 1%	11 8%	70 48%	60 41%
Meeting people at my parish who struggle with poverty, addiction, and violence.	1 1%	2 1%	20 14%	68 47%	54 37%
Presentations at Church by representatives from local non-profit organizations that clearly explain how my volunteer service can help those in need.	5 3%	8 6%	25 17%	62 43%	45 31%
Learning more about how poverty, addiction, and violence affects families and children in my community.	5 3%	9 6%	31 21%	60 41%	40 28%
A parish retreat, led by an invited speaker, on the topic of “justice and the local Orthodox parish” from an Orthodox perspective.	12 8%	11 8%	33 23%	51 35%	38 26%
The news that your parish is in extreme financial distress and faces the possibility of closing in the next few years.	6 4%	18 12%	35 24%	44 30%	42 29%

More frequent sermons by parish clergy on wealth, poverty, and injustice.	9 6%	16 11%	35 24%	58 40%	27 19%
New publications or journals from an Orthodox perspective dedicated to the history, theology, and practice of ministry to the poor and suffering.	8 6%	17 12%	40 28%	53 37%	25 17%
Pastoral letters (encyclicals) and direct appeals from my jurisdiction's Holy Synod of Bishops on wealth, poverty, and injustice.	15 10%	20 14%	32 22%	54 37%	23 16%
Clear, compelling online podcasts or lectures on pressing social issues from an Orthodox perspective.	15 10%	19 13%	40 28%	52 36%	19 13%