

# Investment Ideals

Eventide's approach to values-based investing is grounded in the belief that humankind was created in the image of God, with intrinsic dignity, value, and worth. We believe the knowledge of this intrinsic worth gives us a calling to love our neighbors. But what does this love look like when it comes to investing?

One aspect of values-based investing involves identifying and avoiding situations where companies disregard the value of humankind, in our view, by providing products or engaging in practices that harm others. This subsequently allows opportunities for Eventide to embrace companies it believes are excelling in creating value through activities that benefit others, like offering life-saving medications, providing great employee benefits, or taking care to replenish natural resources. Investing in these companies is one way that we can love our neighbors.

We pursue the following investment ideals as we evaluate companies for our portfolios:

**Respecting the value and freedom of all people** this includes the right to life at all stages and freedom from addictive behaviors caused by gambling, pornography, tobacco, and alcohol.

**Demonstrating a concern for justice and peace** this includes fair and ethical relationships with customers, suppliers and business partners and through avoidance of products and services that promote weapons production and proliferation.

**Promoting family and community** this includes protecting children from violent forms of entertainment and also includes serving low-income communities.

**Exhibiting responsible management practices** this includes fair-dealing with employees, communities, competitors, suppliers, and customers as demonstrated by a company's record regarding litigation, regulatory actions against the company and its record of promoting products and services that improve the lives of people.

**Practicing environmental stewardship** this includes practices considered more sustainable than those of industry peers, reduction in environmental impact when compared to previous periods, and/or the use of more efficient and cleaner energy sources.