

*Living consciously with creation in mind does not necessarily mean living without.  
It does mean living differently.  
It does mean living simpler and intentional lives.  
The choice is ours to make.*

Stewardship of Creation Tip #1  
Dishwasher: Energy & Water Conservation

**By choosing the air-dry option** instead of heat-dry, you could reduce the energy used for drying dishes by 25 kilowatt hours per month.\*

Before turning on your dishwasher, read on:

- It is more efficient to use the dishwasher than to wash dishes, glasses, and cutlery by hand – **but only if you do full loads.** \*\*
- Wash big pots and pans by hand so you can fit more stuff in the dishwasher. \*\*

(\* Based on monthly use of 25 hours/month; Heat dry =1200 watts; Air dry= 200 watts.

\*\*From: *The Newman's Own Organics Guide to a Good Life: Simple Measures That Benefit You and the Place You Live*, by Nell Newman with Joseph D'Agnese, New York: Villard, 2003)