

Faith Works: Finances
The Truth - The Key to Financial Freedom is Generosity"

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"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own?" Luke 16:10-12

"Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me. But you ask, 'How do we rob you?' In tithes and offerings. You are under a curse — the whole nation of you — because you are robbing me. Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it. I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not cast their fruit," says the Lord Almighty. "Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land," says the Lord Almighty. " " Mal. 3:8-12

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them." Matt 5:17-18

The Key to Financial Freedom – Generosity

1. Everything belongs to God.
2. I am not God. I am the manager of God's possessions.
3. If I am faithful, He will trust me with more to manage.

Giving Level #1 – The Tithe

Q – What is a tithe?

A – The first 10% of your income.

Q – Who should tithe?

A – Every Christian.

Q –When should I tithe?

A – When I earn income.

Q – Where should I give the tithe?

A – To your local "storehouse".

Q – Why should I tithe?

A – To honor God and supply His storehouse.

Q – What are the results of my tithe?

A – God's protection and provision.

Q – How should I tithe?

A – By faith.

"Seek FIRST the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be added to you."
Mt. 6:33

NEXT STEP – Start giving 10% of your income today. Test God in this!

Giving Level #2 – Offerings

“Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion.” 2 Cor. 9:6-7

“God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Cor. 9:7

Q – What is an offering?

A – Anything given above the tithe or given somewhere other than the storehouse.

Q – How much offering should I give?

A – As much as you choose to give.

Q – How should I give?

A – Cheerfully!

NEXT STEP – Is there faith in your life to add to the tithe and trust God for His abundance?

Basic principle for a healthy financial life.

John D. Rockefeller revealed the secret to his financial success:

"Save 10%, tithe 10%, and live on the rest."

70% principle:

If you are in debt:

1. The first 10% is your tithe.
2. The second 10% goes into savings.
3. The third 10% pays off your debt.

Learn to live on and be generous with the remaining 70%

If you are not in debt:

1. The first 10% is your tithe.
2. The second 10% goes into savings.
3. The third 10% is invested.

Learn to live on and be generous with the remaining 70%.

Closing Prayer

“To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve His God and Father—to Him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.”
Revelation 1:5-6