

Tithing

Malachi 3:1-0-12

- **To worship God and honor Him as the provider.**
- **To remind themselves that all resources belong to God.**
- **To set a course for handling finances in a way that honors God.**
- **In the Old Testament, tithing was an offering of agricultural income to the Lord.**
- **Tithing supports clergy, maintains churches, and assists the poor.**
- **It provides strategies for managing possessions and extending the Kingdom of God.**

Reasons For Tithing

1. Tithe to [store up treasures in Heaven](#) instead of hoarding things on Earth.

Matthew 6:19-21 - Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

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2. Tithe to [trust God with your money](#). There are many false teachers that will try to use Malachi to extort people, beware! You will be left barren and empty, experiencing scarcity. Malachi teaches us to trust the Lord with our finances.

Malachi 3:9-11 - You are under a curse—your whole nation—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 there will not be room enough to store it. I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe,” says the Lord Almighty.

3. Tithe in [thankfulness to God because it is God that provides for us](#) and He is the one that gives us the ability to make money.

Deuteronomy 8:18 - You must remember the LORD your God, for he is the one who gives ability to get wealth; if you do this, he will confirm his covenant that he made by oath to your ancestors, even as he has to this day.

Deuteronomy 26:10 And now, O LORD, I have brought you the first portion of the harvest you have given me from the ground.’ Then place the produce before the LORD your God, and bow to the ground in worship before him.

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Matthew 22:21 - They say unto him, Caesar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's.

4. Tithing is to [put God first](#).

Deuteronomy 14:23 - Bring this tithe to the designated place of worship—the place the LORD your God chooses for his name to be honored—and eat it there in his presence. This applies to your tithes of grain, new wine, olive oil, and the firstborn males of your flocks and herds. Doing this will teach you always to fear the LORD your God.

5. Tithe is [to honor the Lord](#).

Proverbs 3:9 - Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the best part of everything you produce.

1 Corinthians 10:31 So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

6. Tithe [to discipline yourself and to keep yourself from being greedy](#).

1 Timothy 4:7 - But have nothing to do with worldly fables fit only for old women. On the other hand, discipline yourself for the purpose of godliness.

7. Tithing gives you joy.

2 Corinthians 9:7 Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

Psalm 4:7 You have given me greater joy than those who have abundant harvests of grain and new wine.

8. Tithing is a way a biblical church helps people in need.
Tithe to help others.

Hebrews 13:16 And do not neglect doing good and sharing, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

2 Corinthians 9:6 But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

Proverbs 19:17 The one who is gracious to the poor lends to the LORD, and the LORD will repay him for his good deed.

9. Tithing is not for you to forget the other things of the Kingdom, as the Pharisees did.

Luke 11:42 “But woe to you Pharisees! For you tithe mint and rue and every herb, and neglect justice and the love of God. These you ought to have done, without neglecting the others.”

10. God will bless you in your tithing. He blesses those expecting nothing in return not those who give but have a greedy heart.

Proverbs 11:25 A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

11. Tithing is a way of making sacrifices.

Psalms 4:5 Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord.

12. Tithing advances God's Kingdom.

1 Corinthians 9:13-14 - Don't you know that those who serve in the temple get their food from the temple, and that those who serve at the altar share in what is offered on the altar? In the same way, the Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should receive their living from the gospel.

Numbers 18:21 - I give to the Levites all the tithes in Israel as their inheritance in return for the work they do while serving at the tent of meeting.

Romans 10:14 - How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without

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someone preaching to them?

13. Tithing shows your love for the Lord and it tests where your heart is at.

2 Corinthians 8:8-9 - I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

Luke 12:34 - Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.

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