

## The Point's TITHE Challenge

God owns EVERYTHING. Our unwillingness to tithe certainly is a contradiction to this truth. The Lord spoke through Moses and said, "The tithe...is the Lord's!" (Leviticus 27:30) Notice there is an exclamation point, not a question mark, and the end of the sentence.

That statement means that 10% of our income should be given each week, or each month, to the work of the Lord through His church and the other 90% should also be managed wisely.

### Five Biblical Reasons Every Christian Should Be A Tither

#### 1. OBEDIENCE

Genesis 14:20 tells us that Abraham tithed before the Law was given by Moses at Sinai. Malachi 3:10 summarizes what the Law required. Everyone was required to tithe everything they had.

Matthew 23:23 shows us that Jesus recommended that everyone tithe.

I Corinthians 16:2 indicates that tithing is still a part of God's expectations from His children.

#### 2. HONESTY

In Malachi 3:8-10 the Bible teaches that if we do not tithe, we are robbing God! Isn't it unthinkable that a Christian would steal from anyone - much less God? We must continually remind ourselves that we do not give the tithe, we simply return what already belongs to God.

#### 3. LOVE

In John 14:15 Jesus said, "If you love me, keep my commandments." Nothing will loosen the purse strings like good, old fashioned Christian love! We give the best gifts to those we love!

#### 4. GRATITUDE

In Psalm 116:12-14 the Lord reminds us that since we have received so much, we should respond by giving much! We have received God's Son, His salvation, His presence, His blessings, and we will receive His Heaven. Why would we want to give Him less than a tithe?

#### 5. FAITH

God has promised a blessing to those who are faithful in the Stewardship of Giving! See Malachi 3:10-11; Proverbs 3:9-10; Matthew 6:33; Luke 6:38. Faith in God's promises is reflected by obedience to His Word!

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### **My Response - My commitment to tithe is based upon the following truths:**

1. God owns everything (my tithe is returned, not given).
2. God expects me to tithe (Malachi 3:10).
3. God promises to meet the needs of a faithful steward (tithing is an issue of trust).

Therefore, we challenge people to commit the first 10% of their income to the Lord through the ministry of The Point. If at the end of 90 days you feel your decision was a mistake, that it created a financial crisis, or that you did not receive a blessing, you may contact the church office and arrangements will be made to return your money to you. This is your opportunity to give tithing a try!

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