

How To Be Blessed Financially

Take God At His Word – Part 2
Full Life Church – September 6, 2009
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3 John 1:2 (NASB95) *Beloved, I pray that in all respects you may prosper and be in good health, just as your soul prospers.*

Deuteronomy 11:26-28 (NIV) *See, I am setting before you today a blessing and a curse-- the blessing if you obey the commands of the LORD your God that I am giving you today; the curse if you disobey the commands of the LORD your God ...*

Proverbs 10:22 (NIV) *The blessing of the LORD brings wealth, and he adds no trouble to it.*

1. Understand God's plan of _____

1A. Tithing shows _____ to God

Proverbs 3:9-10 (NIV) *Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.*

1B. Tithing strengthens your _____ with God

Matthew 6:20-21 (NIV) *But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.*

2. _____ God's promise by tithing

2A. Tithe and _____ the results

Malachi 3:10 (NIV) *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.*

2B. Tithe and break the _____

Malachi 3:9 (NIV) *You are under a curse--the whole nation of you--because you are robbing me.*

3. Expect God's _____ for tithing

Hebrews 11:6 (NIV) *And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.*

3A. Expect God's blessing in _____ area

Malachi 3:10b (NIV) *... 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.*

3B. Expect blessing in _____ to your giving

Luke 6:38 (NIV) *Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.*

Message Study Guide
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(Answer questions based on the message outline and Chapter 2 of *Taking God at His Word*)

1. How do you react to the statistic that Christians in America give, on the average, 2.5 percent of their income to the Lord's work?
2. If Solomon were writing Proverbs 3:9-10 to you today, how do you think he might word this teaching from the Lord?
3. Before reading this book, what were your views on tithing?
4. Which of the "power principles," which state the benefits of tithing, is the most encouraging to your faith? Why?
 - a. Power Principle 1—Tithing motivates greater faithfulness.
 - b. Power Principle 2—Tithing releases God's financial blessings.
 - c. Power Principle 3—Tithing expands Kingdom work.
 - d. Power Principle 4—Tithing changes spending habits.
5. Did the story about the young engineer (pages 36-37) speak to you personally? In what ways?
6. What decisions must a person make in order to "put God to the test" by tithing (Malachi 3:10)?
7. How can people overcome their fears about tithing?