



The Habit of Generous Giving

I Timothy 6:17-19

Malachi 3:8-11

I. How does giving reveal spiritual maturity?

Generosity is a fruit of spiritual maturity

2 Corinthians 8:7

II. Why does God want me to give?

1st – Giving makes me more godly

1 John 3:16-18

2nd – Giving draws me closer to God

Matthew 6:21

3rd – Giving is the antidote to materialism

1 Timothy 6:17-19

4th – Giving strengthens my faith

Proverbs 3:5, 9-10; Luke 6:38

5th – Giving is an investment in eternity

Matthew 6:19-20

6th – Giving blesses me in return

Proverbs 11:25; Psalm 112:5-9

7th – Giving makes me glad

Acts 20:35

III. What does the Bible teach about tithing?

Tithing means a tenth part

IV. Why should I tithe?

1. God commanded it

Leviticus 27:30

2. Jesus commended it

Matthew 23:23

3. Tithing demonstrates that God has first place

Deuteronomy 14:23

4. Tithing reminds me all I have is from God

Deuteronomy 8:18

5. Tithing expresses my gratitude

Psalm 116:12; Deuteronomy 16:17

6. Keeping the tithe is stealing from God

Malachi 3:8

7. Tithing gives God a chance to prove Himself

Malachi 3:10-11

8. Tithing proves my love for God

John 14:15; Hebrews 7:8; Genesis 28:20-22; Matthew 6:33; 22:15; 2 Corinthians 8:7-8

V. From what part of my paycheck should I tithe?

The first part of what I earn

Proverbs 3:9

VI. When should I tithe?

When I come to Sunday worship

1 Corinthians 16:2

VII. What attitudes should I have when I give?

1. I am to give willingly 2

Corinthians 8:12; 9:7

2. I am to give joyfully 2 Corinthians 9:7

3. I am to give generously 2

Corinthians 8:3-4

4. I am to give expectantly 2

Corinthians 9:6

VIII. What is the key to cheerful giving?

Giving myself to the Lord 2 Corinthians 8:5