

Essential Values Concerning

FINANCES

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NKJV)

¹⁶“**All Scripture** is given by inspiration of God and **is profitable** for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction **in righteousness.**”



2 Timothy 3:16-17 *(NKJV)*

¹⁷“That the man of God may be **complete, thoroughly equipped** for every good work.”



3 John 1:2-4 *(KJV)*

2“Beloved, I wish above all things that thou prosper and be in health, even as **thy soul prospereth.**”



3 John 1:2-4 *(KJV)*

³“For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the Truth that is in thee, even as thou walkest in the Truth.”



3 John 1:2-4 *(KJV)*

4 "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in Truth."



- **True prosperity** is wholeness in our entire spirit, soul and body.
- True prosperity is **wholeness** in every area of our lives.

Psalm 1:2-3 *(NLT)*

²“But they delight in the law of the Lord,
meditating on it day and night.”



Psalm 1:2-3 *(NLT)*

³“They are like trees planted along the riverbank, **bearing fruit each season.** Their leaves never wither, and **they prosper in all they do.**”



- God's perspective of prosperity is **wholeness** and **fruitfulness** in every area of our lives.
- Because His Life and His Presence is in us.

- The Treasures of Your Heart
- The Value of Giving
- The Value of Believing
- The Value of Stewardship
- The Value of Work

2. The Value of Giving

- Tithing
- Offerings
- Alms

MALACHI

Message on Returning Back to God

- **Book of Malachi:**
 - **CH 1:** Return to Me in your **faith**
 - **CH 2:** Return to Me in your **families**
 - **CH 3:** Return to Me in your **finances**
 - **CH 4:** Is God returning back to us

Malachi 3:6 *(KJV)*

6““For I am the Lord, **I do not change**:
Therefore you are not consumed, O sons
of Jacob.””



Malachi 3:7 (KJV)

7““Yet from the days of your fathers **you have gone away from My ordinances and have not kept them.** Return to Me and I will return to you,’ says the Lord of hosts, ‘But you said, **“In what way shall we return.”**””



Malachi 3:8 (KJV)

8““Will a man **rob God**? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, “In what way have we robbed you?” In tithes and offerings.””



Malachi 3:9 *(KJV)*

9““You **are** cursed with a curse, for you have robbed Me, even this whole nation.””



God says,

“I change not!”

GOD IS NOT
CURSING US

He did not say,

“I will curse you.”

He said,

“You are cursed”

Galatians 3:13 *(KJV)*

¹³“Christ has redeemed us from the **curse** of the law, having become a **curse** for us (for it is written, ‘Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree’).”



2 Corinthians 5:21 *(KJV)*

21“For He made Him Who knew no sin **to be sin for us**, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.”



RIGHTEOUSNESS IS OUR FOUNDATION!

All Scripture is given by God and is profitable to indoctrinate, reprove, correct and train us **in this righteousness.**

2 Timothy 3:16-17

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE
A PROPER REVELATION OF GOD
YOU WILL

**MISUNDERSTAND
THE MESSAGE**

THESE PASSAGES OF SCRIPTURE
MUST BE UNDERSTOOD
IN THE LIGHT OF
HIS TRUE NATURE!

**WE NEED
A FRESH REVELATION
OF THE
GOODNESS OF GOD!**

- God is not after your finances...

**GOD IS AFTER
YOUR HEART!**

- Therefore, **WHEN** I am not...
 - ...**Trusting** God w/ my finances...
 - ...**Acting** by faith w/ my finances...
 - ...**Yielding** the first fruits of my finances...

I AM CURSED

Jeremiah 17:5-8 *(NKJV)*

⁵“Thus says the Lord, ‘**Cursed** is the man **who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength**, whose heart departs from the Lord.’”



Jeremiah 17:5-8 *(NKJV)*

6““For he shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when good comes, but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land not inhabited.””



Jeremiah 17:5-8 *(NKJV)*

7“Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is.”



Jeremiah 17:5-8 *(NKJV)*

8““For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters, which spreads out its roots by the river, and will not fear when heat comes; but its leaf will be green, and will not be anxious in the year of drought, **nor will cease from yielding fruit.**””



- When I come out from His umbrella of blessing, provision and protection...

**I AM OPERATING
UNDER THE CURSE**

WITHOUT CHRIST
THE WORLD IS LIVING

**UNDER A
CURSE**

(THE EFFECTS OF SIN)

**TITHING BY FAITH
CONNECTS US TO
GOD'S GRACE
IN THE MIDST OF A
FALLEN WORLD**

Genesis 4:10 (NKJV)

¹⁰“And He said. ‘What have you done?
The voice of **your brother’s blood cries
out to Me FROM THE GROUND.**”



Genesis 4:11 (NKJV)

11““So now **you are cursed** from the earth, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand.””



Genesis 4:12 *(NKJV)*

¹²“When you till the ground, it shall no longer yield its strength to you. A fugitive and a vagabond you shall be on the earth.”



GOD DID NOT

CURSE

CAIN

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ABEL'S BLOOD
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But God...

SHOWED HIM

MERCY!

Genesis 4:13 *(NKJV)*

¹³“And Cain said to the Lord, ‘My punishment is greater than I can bear!’”



Genesis 4:14 *(NKJV)*

14“Surely You have driven me out this day from **the face of the ground**; I shall be hidden from Your face; I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond on the earth, and it will happen that anyone who finds me will kill me.”



Genesis 4:15 *(NKJV)*

¹⁵“And the Lord said to him, ‘Therefore, whoever kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him **sevenfold**.’ And the Lord set a **mark** on Cain, lest anyone finding him should kill him.”



Genesis 4:16 *(NKJV)*

¹⁶“Then Cain went out from the presence of the Lord and dwelt in the land of Nod on the east of Eden.”



2 Chronicles 7:14 *(NKJV)*

14“If my people who are called by name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins and **will heal their land.**”



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Malachi 3:10 (KJV)

¹⁰“Bring all the tithes into the **storehouse**, **that there may be food in My house**, and try Me now in this,’ says the Lord of hosts. ‘If I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it.’”



- The **Storehouse** is **the local church**:
 - Where we are fed
 - There should be spiritual food in this house due to our giving

- The **Question** was: *(v 8)*
 - “How shall we return to the Lord?”
- The **Answer** is: *(v 10)*
 - “Bring all the tithes into the storehouse...”
 - “...that there may be food in My house.”

Haggai 1:2-6 (NKJV)

2“Thus speaks the Lord of hosts, saying:
‘This people says, “The time has not
come, the time that the Lord’s house
should be built.”””



Haggai 1:2-6 (NKJV)

³“Then the word of the Lord came by Haggai the prophet, saying,”



Haggai 1:2-6 *(NKJV)*

4“Is it time for yourselves to dwell in your paneled houses, and this temple to lie in ruins?””



Haggai 1:2-6 (NKJV)

⁵“Now therefore, thus says the Lord of hosts; ‘Consider your ways!’”



Haggai 1:2-6 (NKJV)

6““You have sown much, and bring in little; you eat, but do not have enough; you drink, but you are not filled with drink; you clothe yourselves, but no one is warm, and he who earns wages, earns wages to put into **a bag with holes.**””



Haggai 2:18-19 *(NKJV)*

18“Consider now **from this day forward** from the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month, **from the day the foundation of the Lord’s temple was laid**—consider it.”



Haggai 2:18-19 *(NKJV)*

19““Is the seed still in the barn? As yet the vine, the fig tree, the pomegranate, and the olive tree have not yielded fruit. **But from this day I will bless you.**””



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**TITHING IS A TEST
OF OUR FAITH:**

IS GOD

OUR SOURCE?

TEST ME?
PROVE ME?
ON THIS

SEE IF I WON'T
OPEN THE
WINDOWS
OF HEAVEN

SEE IF I WON'T
REBUKE THE
DEVOURER

Malachi 3:6-11 *(KJV)*

¹¹“And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, so that he will not **destroy the fruit of your ground**, nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field,’ says the Lord of hosts.”



GOD WILL BLESS

YOUR 90%

MORE THAN

YOU CAN BLESS

YOUR 100%

ON YOUR OWN

GOD TESTED ABRAHAM:

ISAAC WAS

A TITHE

**TO REAP
MANY
DESCENDANTS**

Genesis 22:2 *(KJV)*

2“Then He said, ‘Take now your son, **your only son Isaac**, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.’”



Genesis 22:12 *(KJV)*

¹²“And He said, ‘Do not lay your hand on the lad, or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld **your only son**, from Me.’”



Genesis 22:16 *(KJV)*

¹⁶“And said: ‘By Myself I have sworn,’ says the Lord, ‘because you have done this thing, and have not withheld your son, **your only son.**’”



Genesis 22:17 *(KJV)*

¹⁷“Blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply your descendants as the stars of the heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your descendants shall possess the gate of your enemies.”



Genesis 22:18 *(KJV)*

¹⁸“In your seed all the nations shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice.”



**GOD TESTED JOSHUA:
JERICHO WAS
A TITHE**

**TO REAP
THE SPOILS
OF THE
PROMISED LAND**

Joshua 6:17-19 *(KJV)*

¹⁷“Now the city shall be doomed by the Lord to destruction, it and all who are in it. Only Rahab the harlot shall live, she and all who are with her in the house, because she hid the messengers that we sent.”



Joshua 6:17-19 *(KJV)*

¹⁸“And you, by all means abstained from the accursed things, lest you become accursed when you take the accursed things, and make the camp of Israel a curse, and trouble it.”



Joshua 6:17-19 *(KJV)*

¹⁹“But all the silver and gold, and vessels of bronze and iron, **are consecrated to the Lord; they shall come into the treasury of the Lord.**”



Deuteronomy 20:14 *(NKJV)*

14“But the women, the little ones, the livestock, and all that is in the city, all of its spoil, you shall plunder for yourself; and you shall eat the enemies’ plunder which the Lord your God gives you.”



Deuteronomy 20:15 *(NKJV)*

¹⁵“Thus you shall do to all the cities which are very far from you, which are not of the cities of these nations.”



Joshua 8:2 *(NKJV)*

²“And you shall go to Ai and its king as you did to Jericho and its king. Only its spoil and its cattle you shall take as booty for yourselves. Lay an ambush for the city behind it.”



GOD TESTED PHARAOH:

ISRAEL WAS

A TITHE

TO REAP

ALL NATIONS

Exodus 4:22-23 *(KJV)*

22“Then you shall say to Pharaoh, “Thus says the Lord: **‘Israel is My son, My firstborn.’””**”



Exodus 4:22-23 *(KJV)*

²³“So I say to you, let My son go that he may serve Me. But if you refuse to let him go, indeed I will kill your son, your firstborn.”



Jeremiah 2:3 *(KJV)*

3“Israel was holiness to the Lord, **the firstfruits of His increase**. All that devour him will offend; disaster will come upon them,’ says the Lord.”



**JESUS WAS
A TITHE**

TO REAP

THE WORLD

**HIS KINGDOM
IS LIKE A**

SEED

TITHING IS
MORE THAN JUST MONEY
TITHING IS A PRINCIPLE OF
HIS KINGDOM

TITHING IS
CONNECTING TO GOD AS
OUR SOURCE
AND HIM INCREASING
OUR SEED

Proverbs 3:9-10 (NKJV)

⁹“Honor the Lord with your possessions,
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12““And all nations will call you blessed, for you will be a delightful land,’ says the Lord of hosts.”



**WE ARE BLESSED
TO BE A BLESSING!
TO ESTABLISH
HIS COVENANT!!**

3 John 1:4 *(KJV)*

4“I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in Truth.”



Exodus 35:5 *(NKJV)*

⁵“Take from among you an offering to the Lord. **Whoever is of a willing heart,** let him bring it as an offering to the Lord, gold, silver and bronze.”



Exodus 35:21 *(KJV)*

²¹“And they came, **every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing,** and they brought the Lord’s offering to the work of the tabernacle of the congregation, and for all his service, and for the holy garments.”



Exodus 36:4-7 (NKJV)

4“Then all the craftsmen who were doing all the work of the sanctuary came, each from the work he was doing,”



Exodus 36:4-7 (NKJV)

⁵“and they spoke to Moses, saying, ‘**The people bring much more than enough** for the service of the work which the Lord commanded us to do.’”



Exodus 36:4-7 (NKJV)

⁶“So Moses gave a commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the entire camp, saying, ‘Let neither man nor woman do any more work for the offering of the sanctuary,’ and **the people were restrained from bringing,**”



Exodus 36:4-7 (NKJV)

7“For the material they had was sufficient for all the work to be done—indeed **too much.**”



**THE OFFERING TO BUILD
THE TABERNACLE**

**WAS NOT
LAW**

“DON'T GIVE...”

**“...IF YOU DON'T
WANT TO”**

**THE LORD'S HOUSE
IS BUILT ON**

**FREE-WILL
OFFERINGS**

HIS PRESENCE
ONLY RESTS ON

WHAT WE
GIVE FREELY

- **They gave...**

...Because they **wanted to**

...Until they **gave too much**

1 Chronicles 29:2 *(KJV)*

²“Now I have prepared with all my might for **the house of my God** the gold for things to be made of gold, and the silver for things of silver, and the brass for things of brass, the iron for things of iron...”



1 Chronicles 29:2 *(KJV)*

²“and wood for things of wood; onyx stones, and stones to be set, glistering stones, and of divers colours, and all manner of precious stones, and marble stones in abundance.”



1 Chronicles 29:3 *(KJV)*

³“Moreover because I have set my affection to the house of my God, I have **of my own proper good**, of gold and silver, which **I have given** to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house.”



- End of David's Life...
 - He **wanted** to build the Lord's Temple
 - He could not build it

**BUT HE COULD
RAISE THE MONEY**

1 Samuel 22:2 *(KJV)*

2“And everyone that was in **distress**, and everyone that was **in debt**, and everyone that was **discontented**, gather themselves unto him; and he became a captain over them: and they were with him about four hundred men.”



- **David...**

- Brought his own offering to the Lord
- Then his chief and mighty men brought their offering to the Lord

- **Solomon...**

- Did not have to raise money to build the Temple

NO TAX

NO COMMAND

- The resources were already there

1 Chronicles 29:4 *(NKJV)*

4“Three thousand talents of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and seven thousand talents of refined silver, to overlay the walls of the houses.”



1 Chronicles 29:6 *(NKJV)*

⁶“Then the leaders of the fathers’ houses, leaders of the tribes of Israel, the captains of thousands and of hundreds, with the officers over the king’s work **offered willingly.**”



FREE-WILL OFFERING

King David:

- **Gold:** \$4.7 Billion
- **Silver:** \$8.4 Million
- Other precious metals and stones

The People:

- **Gold:** \$7 Billion
- **Silver:** \$11 Million
- Other precious metals and stones

1 Chronicles 29:9 *(NKJV)*

⁹“Then the people rejoiced, for **they had offered willingly**, because **with a loyal heart they had offered willingly** to the Lord; and King David also rejoiced greatly.”



**THE LORD'S HOUSE
IS BUILT ON**

**FREE-WILL
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