

Essential Values Concerning

FINANCES

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



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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.”



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- **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.”



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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.

- In this series we are covering:
 - Some obvious things
 - Some misconceptions
 - Some profound Truths
 - Some practical wisdom

- 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

- **CH1: Return to me in your faith:**
 - Trust in Me
 - Come back and serve Me
 - Worship Me
 - I will come back to you

- **Many have been taught from Malachi:**
 - Negative misrepresentations about God
 - Abuses
 - Legalism
 - Condemnation
 - Judgment
 - “If you do not tithe, God will curse you.”

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Jesus said,

**“If you’ve seen Me
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the Father”**

Jesus is,

**THE EXPRESS
IMAGE OF GOD**

WE MUST KNOW

THE TRUE

NATURE OF GOD

- **Giving:**

- Principle of His Kingdom:

- God gave His firstborn/first-fruit: **Jesus!**
 - God tithed His Son to reap us!
 - We are born-again of the same **Seed!**

- The Nature of God

John 3:16 *(NKJV)*

¹⁶“For God so loved the world that **He gave** His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”



Romans 8:32 *(NKJV)*

³²“He Who did not spare His Own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely **give** us all things.”



Romans 5:5 *(NKJV)*

5“Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit Who was **given** to us.”



Ephesians 2:8 *(NKJV)*

8“For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the **gift** of God.”



- God **gave** us His...

- ...Life

- ...Nature

- ...Name

- ...Spirit

- ...Kingdom

- ...Armor

WE ARE BORN OF GOD!

- God is...
 - ...a Giver
 - ...not greedy
 - ...not selfish

NOT MAD AT YOU!

**BECAUSE YOU WITHHOLD
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- Yet many see God as being...

- ...Mean

- ...Angry

- ...Judgmental

- ...Wrathful

- ...A Hard-task Master

**MANY TEACHERS HAVE
REVEALED A GOD LIKE THIS**

- God is not after your finances...

**GOD IS AFTER
YOUR HEART!**

**YOUR HEART
WILL FOLLOW
YOUR
TREASURES**

- We must see the Presence of God in:
 - Giving our treasures to God
 - Engaging w/ God by faith

**WHERE YOUR HEART IS
YOUR TREASURES
WILL FOLLOW**

- However...our culture **struggles** w/ the discipline of tithing...why?
- There are a lot of **misunderstandings** and **abuses** in regards to tithing

- Tithing is not about me losing 10% of my increase.
- Tithing is about...
 - Sowing a tenth in **honorable worship** to God,
 - **Serving Him** w/ my treasures and
 - A **heart** that is following after God

- Tithing is not about **losing** 10%
- Tithing is about God **resting** on my 90%

- Tithing is not about a **losing** proposition
- Tithing is a winning **partnership**:
 - Where God and I are **engaging in our faith** in the riches of life

- There are many **misunderstandings** and **bad teaching** in regards to tithing that I could encounter
- I want to give you an overview and some nuggets that I believe are **life changing**.

FAITH ONLY COMES
FROM HEARING

THE WORD
OF GOD

GOD BELIEVES

HIS WORD

Matthew 4:4 *(KJV)*

4“But He answered and said, ‘It is written, “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceeds from the mouth of God.”””



Amos 8:11 *(KJV)*

11“Behold, the days are coming,” says the Lord God, “That I will send a famine on the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, **but of hearing the words of the Lord.**”



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- **Why do you resist me so much?**
 - My rules and ordinances are not bondage
 - I am not being mean
 - I am not trying to make your life miserable
 - My ordinances leave you with nothing but **blessing** and **prosperity** in your lives.

- When you walk with Me **you are blessed!**
- When you walk w/ the devil (*the god of mammon*) **you are cursed.**

- **Righteousness leads to life**

- Proverbs 11:19
- Proverbs 10:16
- Proverbs 12:28

- **Sin leads to death**

- James 1:15
- Romans 14:23

Proverbs 11:19 *(NKJV)*

¹⁹“As righteousness **leads to life**, so he who pursues evil pursues it to his own death.”



Proverbs 10:16 *(NKJV)*

¹⁶“The labor of the righteous **leads to life**, the wages of the wicked is sin.”



Proverbs 12:28 *(NKJV)*

28“In the way of righteousness is life,
and in its pathway there is no death.”



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Romans 8:1-2 *(NASB)*

¹“Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.”



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- How do we get back?
 - With our treasures
 - “Connect w/ Me in your giving”
 - Our heart will follow our treasures

- God is not after your finances...

**GOD IS AFTER
YOUR HEART!**

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.””



- Robbed God of what?
 - Rebuking the devourer (*v 11*)
 - God protecting our treasures
 - Supernatural provision

- Robbed God of what?
 - Operating in our lives by our faith in His grace
 - Opening the windows of heaven and pouring out such a blessing

**GRACE IS NOT
AUTOMATIC!
WE MUST
TRUST HIM!**

- Giving is not about our performance...

**GIVING IS ABOUT
PUTTING OUR FAITH
IN HIS GRACE**

**FAITH IS A
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Hebrews 11:1, 6

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**GIVING IS A
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Luke 6:38 (NKJV)

³⁸“**Give**, and it **shall** be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over **will** be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it **will** be measured back to you.”



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- When we don't trust His Word we rob God of making us...

A WITNESS TO THE WORLD

THE KINGDOM OF GOD
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SEED

THAT MUST BE SOWN
BY FAITH

Galatians 6:6-9 (NKJV)

7“Do not be deceived, God is not **mocked**; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.”



Malachi 3:9 *(KJV)*

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



- It does NOT say:
 - “If you don’t tithe and give offerings **God will curse you.**”
 - That would be a **misrepresentation** of God

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- We are cursed **when...**
 - We operate in unbelief **under the world's economy** that is still cursed from the fall
 - mammon is resting on our finances

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- (EXAMPLE) Under an Umbrella:
 - I am **protected / provided for**
 - I am **unaffected** by the rain
 - Although it is still raining
 - But **the moment I remove the umbrella**
 - God is not the one getting me wet
 - I **chose** to come out from the provision and protection of the umbrella

Galatians 6:8 (NKJV)

8“For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh **reap corruption**, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life..”



Jeremiah 17:5-8 *(NKJV)*

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9“**The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; who can know it?**”



Jeremiah 17:10 *(NKJV)*

¹⁰“I, the Lord search the heart, I **test** the mind, even to give every man according to his ways, according to the **fruit** of his doings.”



- We live in a world of darkness that is laboring under the **curse of the Fall**
- The entire planet is **groaning and laboring w/ birth pangs** waiting for the manifestation of the sons of God.

Romans 8:19-23 *(NKJV)*

19“For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God.”



Romans 8:19-23 *(NKJV)*

²⁰“For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him Who subjected it **in hope.**”



Romans 8:19-23 *(NKJV)*

21“Because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption **into the glorious liberty of the children of God.**”



Romans 8:19-23 *(NKJV)*

²²“For we know that **the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.**”



Romans 8:19-23 (NKJV)

²³“Not only that, but we also who have the **firstfruits** of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.”



- All creation is groaning under the Fall that Adam subjected it to.

- 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

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COLOSSIANS 1:13 *(NKJV)*

¹³“He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of His love.”



WE HAVE BEEN DELIVERED FROM THE
**POWER OF
DARKNESS**

BUT NOT THE
**PRESENCE OF
DARKNESS**

**DARKNESS IS
ALL AROUND US**

**WE ARE
THE LIGHT
OF THE WORLD**

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**

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

Genesis 4:1-12 *(NKJV)*

1“Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, and said, ‘I have acquired a man from the Lord.’”



Genesis 4:1-12 *(NKJV)*

2“Then she bore again, this time his brother Abel. Now Abel was a **keeper of sheep**, but Cain was a **tiller of the ground.**”



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⁵“But He did not respect Cain and his offering. And Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell.”



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⁸“Now Cain talked with Abel his brother, and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother and killed him.”



Genesis 4:1-12 *(NKJV)*

⁹“Then the Lord said to Cain, ‘Where is Abel your brother?’ He said, ‘I do not know. Am I my brother’s keeper?’”



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- **Cain:**

- He was a **farmer**

- His heart was filled w/ **greed** (*Jude*)

- Sin lied at the door it desired to have him

- Sin escalated: He **murdered** his brother

Romans 14:23 (NKJV)

23“But he who doubts is condemned if he eats, because he does not eat from faith; **for whatever is not from faith is sin.**”



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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.”



- Cain, who was a farmer understood:
 - “I am unemployed!”
 - “I will not be able to prosper!”
 - “I will be a vagabond!”

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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.”



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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.**”



- Many do not understand these spiritual principles.
 - Sin effects the Land (ground)
 - Sin effects the weather *(not your SUV)*
 - We reap what we sow

**THE EARTH WAS
CREATED IN
RIGHTEOUSNES
& HOLINESS**

**THE EARTH IS
DESTINED TO
WORK IN
RIGHTEOUSNESS**

Psalm 90:17 (NKJV)

17“And let the **beauty** of the Lord our God be upon us, and **establish** the work of our hands for us; **yes, establish** the work of our hands.”



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**TITHING IS
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- When we are not under the **umbrella** of His grace...
- ...there is a 'dog-fight' to make a living in this **world's economy**.

- The world without Christ **is operating under the curse of the Fall**
- The curse of darkness **is** present around us everyday.

- We need God's hand **resting** on our finances
- When we do not tithe and give offerings we rob His grace from **resting** on our finances

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:
 - “How shall we return to the Lord?”
- The **Answer** is:
 - “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.**””



Malachi 3:6-11 *(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.’”**



**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

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- You can get **more blessing** by honoring the Lord w/ 10% and Him blessing your 90%
- Then you holding onto 100% and letting the devourer destroy the fruit of your ground.

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“THIS IS AWESOME”

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
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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

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FROM DEVOURING

YOUR LAND

I WILL DEAL WITH THE DEVIL
IN THE AREA OF YOUR

TREASURERS

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- I still must **submit** to God and **resist** the devil

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

Malachi 3:12 (KJV)

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



3 John 1:4 *(KJV)*

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



Essential Values Concerning

FINANCES