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## TITHES & OFFERINGS

Purposes & Benefits of Tithes & Offerings

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**Lev 27:30** And all the tithes of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD's. It is holy to the LORD.

**Prov 3:9-10** Honor the LORD with your possessions, And with the firstfruits of all your increase; So your barns will be filled with plenty, And your vats will overflow with new wine.

**Luke 10:7** And remain in the same house, eating and drinking such things as they give, for the laborer is worthy of his wages.

**1 Cor 16:2** On the first day of the week let each one of you lay something aside, storing up as he may prosper,

**2 Cor 9:6-8** But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.

**Gal 6:6** Let him who is taught the word share in all good things with him who teaches.

**Heb 7:8** Here mortal men receive tithes, but there he receives them, of whom it is witnessed that he lives.

### Notations on tithing & giving offerings:

- The tithe (first 10%) belongs to the Lord & His ministry, not to you!
- You join your heart with your church when you include your finances! (Mtt. 6/21)
- You practice covenant relationship with the ministries you support!
- You help the church function & the budget to get met!
- You're supporting pastors that are ministering to you & praying for you!
- You're taking authority over your attitude about money!
- You're rebuking the devourer from your finances! (Mal. 3/10,11)
- You're honoring the Lord of the increase!
- You're trusting in the Lord more than in your income!
- You're contributing to the furtherance of the Gospel of Grace!
- You're sowing into the lives of people the Church reaches!
- You're being a steward of the resources the Lord has entrusted to you!
- You're sowing to the spirit-realm & into your future! (Matt 6/19,20)

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