

# **STEWARDSHIP**

# Outline #8 The Impact of Tithing

## Scripture Song: I Will Praise You, O LORD (Psalm 9:1–2)

### 1. Supporting the mission

- a) Matthew 28:19-20
- b) Mark 16:15
- c) Revelation 14:6–7, how does the message of the Three Angels relate to the Great Commission?
- d) What are some of the ways we can participate in the fulfillment of the Gospel commission?
- e) How is the missionary work of the church funded? Malachi 3:10a
- f) What is the meaning of the phrase "that there may be food in My house"?
- g) Leviticus 27:30, how would you apply this text today?
- h) 1 Corinthians 9:14
- i) 2 Corinthians 11:9
- j) When did you first become aware of the Bible teaching about tithing?
- k) What are your thoughts about supporting the mission of the church to take the Gospel to the whole world?

#### 2. The storehouse

- a) Malachi 3:10a, into the storehouse
- b) 1 Chronicles 26:20
- c) 2 Chronicles 31:11-12
- d) Nehemiah 10:38
- e) What is the common message you hear in all these references to the tithe?

### f) Where is the storehouse today?

g) Why is returning a faithful tithe to the storehouse an act of obedience and faith?

### 3. The promised blessings of God

- a) Malachi 3:10
- b) What types of blessings might come as we honor God by returning a faithful tithe?
- c) How have you seen God bless you as you have determined to honor Him by returning a faithful tithe and giving generous offerings?
- d) Blessed to bless and blessed as we bless
  - i) 1 Peter 3:8-9
  - ii) Luke 6:38
- e) Acts 20:35, why is it more blessed to give than to receive?
- f) Share a time when God blessed you and enabled you to pass on a blessing to someone else.

# 4. Discussion questions

- a) Is returning a faithful tithe essential for salvation? Or is returning a faithful tithe an evidence of a living relationship with our Savior? Ephesians 2:8–10
- b) What important lessons can we learn from the story recorded in Luke 21:1–4?