



2. Why do you think that it is significant that this came before the Old Testament law on tithing was given to the Israelites?

3. How would you explain the principle of giving back to God out of your “firstfruits”?

4. Why is this concept of giving out of your “firstfruits” important?

5. What does it look like for us to honor the LORD with our wealth?

6. Do you believe that everything belongs to God? How does this impact your willingness to give?

7. Have you seen God’s provision in the past when you’ve been faithful to honor God out of your “firstfruits”?

8. The tithe isn’t giving—it’s returning to God what’s already His. Anything over and above the tithe is giving (an offering).

9. How is our attitude towards tithing affected when we understand this?

## **Moving Forward**

*As you review your own Prosperity Test, consider the questions below.*

1. What do the following verses tell us about how we can pass the Prosperity Test?

Malachi 3:8–11

Exodus 13:1–2

Matthew 6:1–4, 19–24

Mark 12:41–44

2 Corinthians 9:7

1 Timothy 6:6–10

*The principle of the first fruits (tithing) is not about coming under condemnation—it points to how to live in victory. If you’ve struggled with this issue, be encouraged. The way to get victory in any area is to rely on God’s help, and the way to get His help in your finances is to put Him first.*

2. What does Malachi 3:10 promise to those who will step out in faith to obey God with their tithe?

3. What are practical strategies to begin tithing when you feel that you can’t “afford” it? What will you do this week?