# AF A Time Of...

## Insight, Instructions, Increase, and Inspiration

## **Day Twelve** Give Accordingly

## Deuteronomy 16:16-17 (NIV)

16 Three times a year all your men must appear before the Lord your God at the place he will choose: at the Feast of Unleavened Bread, the Feast of Weeks and the Feast of Tabernacles. No man should appear before the Lord <u>EMPTY-HANDED</u>:

17 Each of you must bring a gift **IN PROPORTION TO THE WAY THE LORD YOUR GOD HAS BLESSED YOU.** 

#### <u>PERSPECTIVE</u>

If God Has Blessed Me Above Measure.... It Should Reflect In My Giving

The Tithe Should Be The Floor... You Should Go Beyond The Tithe

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**Principle Was Illustrated In Genesis 22** God had given the instructions to Sacrifice Your Son... Abraham said, Me and my son are going up "TO WORSHIP" On the way up the Mountain, Isaac asked an interesting question...

#### Genesis 22:7 (NLT)

7 Isaac turned to Abraham and said, "Father?" "Yes, my son?" Abraham replied. "We have the fire and the wood," the boy said, "but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?"

He understood that Worship required something in your hand!!!

The Decision Was Never "**IF**" You Were Going To Give But "**WHAT**" You Were Going To Give

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#### Exodus 10:24-26 (NIV)

24 Then Pharaoh summoned Moses and said, "Go, worship the Lord. Even your women and children may go with you; ONLY LEAVE YOUR FLOCKS AND HERDS BEHIND."

25 But Moses said, "You must allow us to have sacrifices and burnt offerings to present to the Lord our God.

26 Our livestock too must go with us; not a hoof is to be left behind. We have to use some of them in worshiping the Lord our God, and until we get there we will not know **what we are to use to worship the Lord.**"

The Enemy Wants Us To Worship Without A Sacrifice To God The Enemy Wants Us To Worship Without Giving Substance To God

You Cannot Worship God Without A Sacrifice

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#### **Festivals Served A Purpose**

Look Back At The Wilderness Day... How Far God Had Brought Them
Celebrate The Harvest... What God Had Blessed Them With
Celebrate Where God Was Taking Them

SO God Shares With His People And To Us... Give According To How You Have Been Blessed

The tithe reflects your obedience to God. Your freewill offerings reflect your love for God. Think about how much God has blessed you, how much He wants to bless you, and how much He has promised to bless you, and you will really begin to give generously AND JOYFULLY BLESSING HIM BACK!

## **EVERYONE MUST APPEAR**

## WITH A GIFT AS HE IS

## ABLE, ACCORDING TO THE

## **BLESSING THE LORD YOUR**

GOD HAS GIVEN YOU.

- DEUTERONOMY 16:17

## Day Twelve Meditation

#### Matthew 4:10 (NIV)

10 Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only."

#### Luke 24:52-53 (NIV)

52 Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. 53 And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

#### John 4:24 (NIV)

24 God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth."

#### Deuteronomy 26:10 (NLT)

10 And now, O Lord, I have brought you the first portion of the harvest you have given me from the ground.' Then place the produce before the Lord your God, and bow to the ground in worship before him.

#### 1 Chronicles 16:29 (NLT)

29 Give to the Lord the glory he deserves! Bring your offering and come into his presence. Worship the Lord in all his holy splendor.

#### 1 Corinthians 16:2 (NKJV)

2 On the first day of the week let each one of you lay something aside, storing up as he may prosper...

## Day Twelve Prayer

God, I Thank You For What I Have To Give God, I Thank You For Supplying All My Needs God, I Thank You For Giving Me The Heart To Give God, I Thank You For Instructing Me On How To Give...

God, When I Reflect On How Good You Have Been God, When I Reflect On How Faithful You Have Been God, When I Reflect On How Much You Have Given God, When I Reflect On The Opportunities You Have Provided God, When I Reflect On The Seed I Have Been Given It Is A Joy To Give In Jesus Name.... Amen