

# 90 Day Tithing Challenge

## *Trust & the Tithe*

Tithing - giving a tenth to the local church

What does the Bible say about giving?

God is putting a test before us in the area of giving

*The number 10 is found often in scripture,  
the number 10 is the number of testing and obedience.*

10 plagues in Egypt **Exodus**

10 commandments

"God said" is found 10 times in **Genesis 1**

Noah is 10th generation from Adam

God wouldn't destroy Sodom and Gomorrah if they could find 10 righteous men there

Jesus also used the number 10 in many of his parables

10 Virgins in Parable **Matthew 25**

10 Lepers in Parable **Luke 17**

Gospels - disciples were told to wait 10 days in the upper room **Acts 2**

Tithing is a unique test - this is not a one way test! God wants us to test HIM! **Malachi 3:10**

There is only one time in the Bible that God says "test me" and it pertains to giving

This is an issue of trust and ownership!

God doesn't want us to give out of guilt!

The highest temptation that would rob your heart from God - would be money

When we give we are discipline our flesh and our spirit that everything we have comes from God!

Give the tension to God! We do not give to churches - we give to God!!!

## **Malachi 3:8-10**

Why do we struggle with the idea of giving when we truly believe in salvation?!

God wants to help us while we are here on this earth -

It's an issue of trust

Why is it so easy to give the rest away when you're already full?

Maybe we are nervous to give because we are aware of our own limitations

God blesses us with things that money cannot buy!

-family, friends, relationships, second chances, health !

We all have a next step in the area of giving

You can't afford not to tithe!

What if I offend someone? But what if we allow someone to walk in the blessings of God!

God has a love for us, his heart is FOR us and not against us! Test God!

There is often things that happen spiritually that we are unaware of!

God wants our heart - he doesn't want a portion of it, he wants ALL of it!