

That Money Thing
Develop a Covenant Relationship
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1. What is a **Covenant**?

Covenant = **A solemn promise between two or more people.**

“Abram fell facedown, and God said to him, “As for me, this is my covenant with you: You will be the father of many nations. No longer will you be called Abram; your name will be Abraham, for I have made you a father of many nations.” Genesis 17:1-5

2. Generosity **Grows** Out of Relationship

“Besides, in my devotion to the temple of my God I now give my personal treasures of gold and silver for the temple of my God, over and above everything I have provided for this holy temple: three thousand talents of gold (gold of Ophir) and seven thousand talents of refined silver, for the overlaying of the walls of the buildings.” 1 Chronicles 29:3-4

“Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.” Luke 6:37-38

3. God’s Covenant Relationship with **You** and the **Money Thing**

“I the Lord do not change. So you, the descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed. Ever since the time of your ancestors you have turned away from my decrees and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you,” says the Lord Almighty. “But you ask, ‘How are we to return?’ Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me. “But you ask, ‘How are we robbing you?’ “In tithes and offerings. You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me. Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it. I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe,” says the Lord Almighty. “Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land,” says the Lord Almighty.” Malachi 3:7-12

God’s Covenant from Malachi

- The Lord never **changes**.

- If we disobey Him and humbly return to Him, He will **accept** us.
- You can **rob** God = **tithes** and **offerings**.
- He gives a **solution**.
- If we choose to test Him and be obedient in the area of tithe and offerings, He gives a **big promise**.

Tipper to Giver to Tither to Sacrificial Giver.

“Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.” 2 Corinthians 9:10-11

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Scripture: *Genesis 17:1-5; 1 Samuel 18; 1 Samuel 20; Genesis 35; 1 Chronicles 29:3-4; Luke 6:37-38; Malachi 3:7-12; 2 Corinthians 9:10-11*