

MALACHI 3:9-10

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# FINANCIALLY FREE

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# Financially Free

**being free from  
financial worries**

**Money is one of the  
leading causes of  
domestic unhappiness  
and divorce.**



# **Biblical Principles**

**500 verses on prayers**

**Less than 500 verses on faith**

**Of the 31,102 verses in the Bible, 2,350 deal with money and possessions**





## **Malachi 3:9-10**

**9 You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me. 10 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.**

*Financially Free* is closely  
associated to *Titling*

*God* is the author of *Titling*

MONEY PLAYS A LARGE PART IN US.  
IF WE DO NOT ORDER OUR MONEY  
ACCORDING TO GOD'S WILL, OUR  
WHOLE LIFE MUST BE OUT OF LINE  
WITH THE WILL OF GOD.

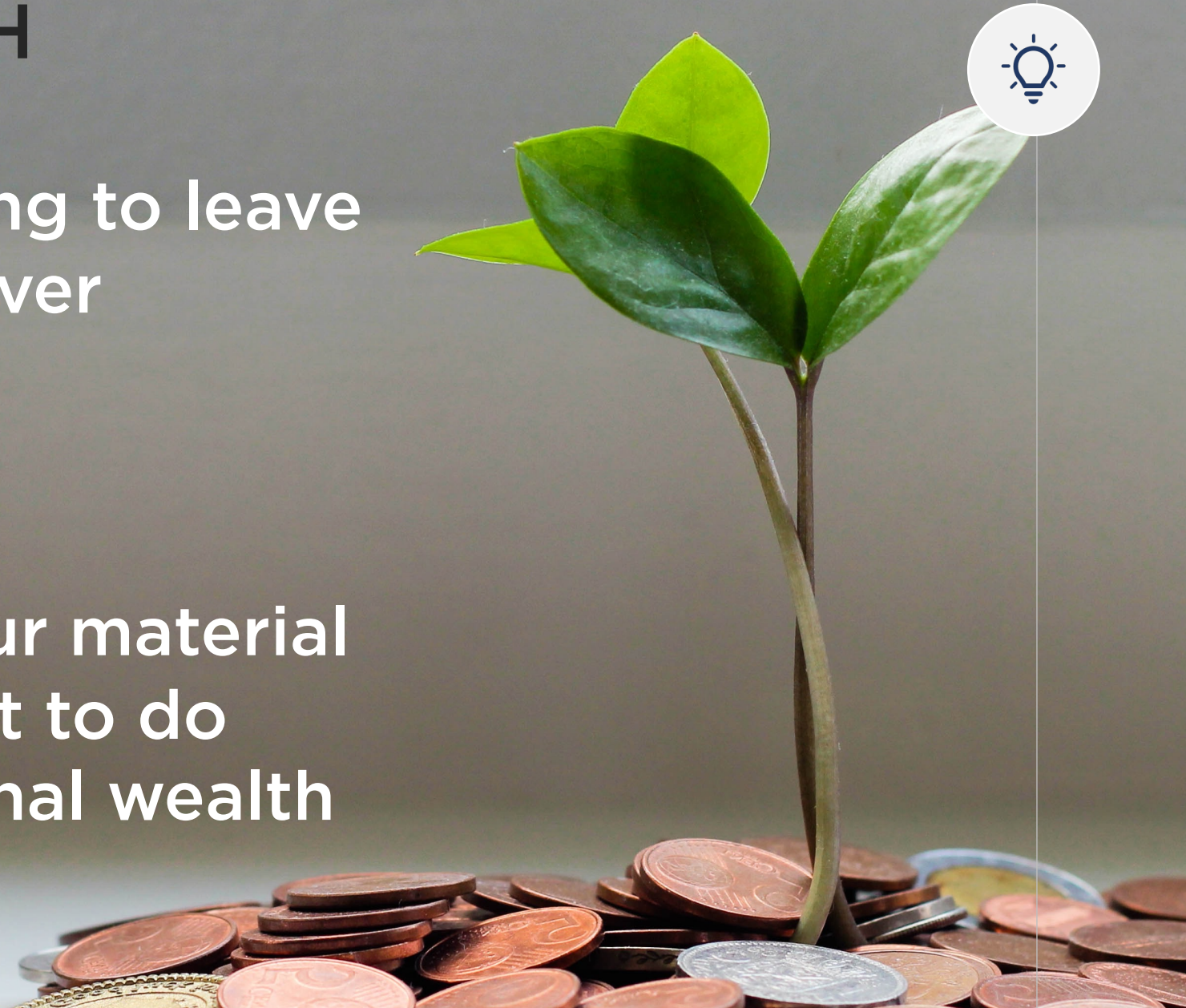


# MATERIAL WEALTH

- Temporary
- One day, we are going to leave them all behind forever

# ETERNAL WEALTH

- More important
- How we deal with our material wealth will have a lot to do with how much eternal wealth we end up with



# Tithing

Setting apart for God the first 10th of our income. 10 cents of every dollar is to go the Lord.

Began more than 400 years prior to the law of Moses

**THE FIRST MENTION OF TITHING HAD TO DO IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S VICTORY WHEN ABRAHAM GAVE FIRST TIME, 10% TO MELCHIZEDEK**



## *Principles of Tithing*

# **First practice of Tithing**

**ABRAHAM GAVE A TENTH BEFORE THE LAW CAME THROUGH**

**Genesis 14:18-20**

**18 And Melchizedek, the king of Salem and a priest of God Most High, brought Abram some bread and wine. 19 Melchizedek blessed Abram with this blessing:**

**“Blessed be Abram by God Most High,  
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**20 And blessed be God Most High,  
who has defeated your enemies for you.”**

**Then Abram gave Melchizedek a tenth of all the goods he had recovered.**





## *Principles of Tithing*

# Jesus affirms Tithing



Matthew 23:23

23 “What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you are careful to tithe even the tiniest income from your herb gardens, but you ignore the more important aspects of the law—justice, mercy, and faith. You should tithe, yes, but do not neglect the more important things.

*Principles of Tithing*

# Whole nation under a curse

DON'T ROB GOD

**Malachi 3:9 9 You are under a curse — your whole nation — because you are robbing me.**



## *Principles of Tithing*

# Where does your tithe belong?



**GIVING OUTSIDE THE LOCAL CHURCH IS NOT A TITHE  
BUT AN OFFERING**

## **STOREHOUSE**

- **God's prescribed method that all the tithes and offerings were to be brought to one place, the local church.**
- **The gospel is free but the propagation of the gospel is not.**

## *Principles of Tithing*

# God asks for a Tithe, not a Tip



### GOD'S COMMAND: 10% TITHE

- 90% with you and God will go off a lot further than a 100% with you alone.
- It takes faith to believe that 90% blessed would go farther than a 100% not blessed.

# Debt and Greed



- Struggle to bring tithe due to excessive debt.
- People spend every dollar they earn.
- People live beyond their means and accumulate debts

*How to stay financially free?*

# Debt and Greed

- High credit card debts cripple people financially.
- High unsettled debt is a reflection of mismanagement and irresponsibility with the Lord's resources

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# Debt and Greed



- Debt would create unnecessary tension in your life and in your marriage
- Having excessive debt is a bad testimony
- Financial freedom requires control of our spending habits

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# Proverbs 22:7

The rich rule over the poor, and  
the borrower is slave to the  
lender.

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## Luke 12:15

Then he said to them, “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.”

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# Contentment

**1 TIMOTHY 6:6-8** Yet true godliness with contentment is itself great wealth. After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can't take anything with us when we leave it. So if we have enough food and clothing, let us be content.

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# Proverbs 6:6-8



6 Go to the ant, you sluggard;  
consider its ways and be wise!

7 It has no commander,  
no overseer or ruler,

8 yet it stores its provisions in summer  
and gathers its food at harvest.

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# 1 Timothy 6:10

For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

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# Setting of priorities

**PROVERBS 3:9-10** Honor

the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.

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# Matthew 6:21

Wherever your treasure is,  
there the desires of your heart  
will also be.

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# Faithfulness

**LUKE 16:10** Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much.

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# Generosity



**LUKE 6:8** 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.

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# Protection

**MALACHI 3:11** 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.

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# Protection



**HAGGAI 1:5-6** Now this is what the Lord Almighty says: “Give careful thought to your ways. 6 You have planted much, but harvested little. You eat, but never have enough. You drink, but never have your fill. You put on clothes, but are not warm. You earn wages, only to put them in a purse with holes in it.

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# Offering



More of a free will amount is not commanded by God

**2 CORINTHIANS 9:7** So let each one give as He purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver

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# Pray with us

For “whoever calls on  
the name of the Lord  
shall be saved.”

ROMANS 10:13





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