

Use Your Tither's Power – Part 3

Giving Offerings Above the Tithes Brings Exponential Blessings

A. Tithing vs Offerings

1. Malachi 3:7-12 (HCSB) God requires a tithe (tenth) of your gross income.
 - a. 7 “Since the days of your fathers, you have turned from My statutes; you have not kept them. Return to Me, and I will return to you,” says the LORD of Hosts. But you ask: “How can we return?” 8 “Will a man rob God? Yet you are robbing Me!” You ask: “How do we rob You?” “By not making the payments of the tenth and the contributions. 9 You are suffering under a curse, yet you—the whole nation—are still robbing Me. 10 Bring the full tenth into the storehouse so that there may be food in My house. Test Me in this way,” says the LORD of Hosts. “See if I will not open the floodgates of heaven and pour out a blessing for you without measure. 11 I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not ruin the produce of your land and your vine in your field will not fail to produce fruit,” says the LORD of Hosts. 12 “Then all the nations will consider you fortunate, for you will be a delightful land,” says the LORD of Hosts.
 - b. Matt 23:23; Luke 11:42; 18:12; Heb 7:5-6, 8-9 (2x); Acts 2:44-45
The Word “Tithe(s)” is used eight times in the New Testament.
 - c. Matt 23:23 (AMPC) Jesus supported correct Tithing.
 - d. Hebrews 7:8 Here mortal men receive tithes, but there he receives them, of whom it is witnessed that he lives.
2. Offerings should be given above the Tithe.
 - a. 1 Chron 29:9 Then the people rejoiced, for they had offered willingly, because with a loyal heart they had **offered** willingly to the Lord; and King David also rejoiced greatly.
 - b. Mark 10:30 Jesus promises you a 100-fold return.
 - c. 2 Cor 9:10 Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness.
 - d. Whatever you sow you are going to reap. You will reap what you sow.

B. Name Your Seed to Designate Your Expected Harvest.

1. Clarification: Tithes vs Offerings
 - a. The Tithe belongs to God so you should not name that seed because it does not belong to you.

- b. But your free will Offering you can name your seed to specify and designate what harvest of 30, 60, or 100-fold return your desire.
- c. Gal 6:7 Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap (Name the seed you are sowing).
- d. Mark 4:20 But these are the ones sown on good ground, those who hear the word, accept it, and bear fruit: some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some a hundred.

C. What to Do Before You Send in Your Offerings.

1. Write down on a piece of paper a Name of Your Seed you are designating as the Offering above your Tithes that should be sent at the same time as your Tithes. Many people put it in a separate envelope or a separate check/payment mode.
 - a. Example: "In the Name of Jesus, I NAME MY SEED for my expected harvest of: Prosperity, being debt-free, receiving an Ephesians 3:20 abundant harvest, healing, health, protection over me, my family, all we own and all that pertains to us."
 - b. You can Name Your Seed whatever your specific need is and it can change as your needs change.
 - c. Example: Seed: "Bless my new business."

D. God Has Given You Power to Get Wealth

Deut 8:18

1. Deut 29:9; Ps 1:3 Prosper in all you do.
2. Josh 1:7 Prosper wherever you go.
3. 3 John 2 Prosper and be in health even as your soul prospers.
4. 2 Pet 1:10; Isa 40:26; 1 Cor 13:8; 1 John 5:4 You never fail nor fall.
5. Ps 35:27 God takes pleasure in your prosperity
6. Prov 10:22; 3:16; 22:4 Blessing/knowledge of God makes you rich.
7. Deut 28:1-14 Obedience produces wealth.

E. Seven Levels of Prosperity for a Believer

1. Having basic needs met.
 - a. Matt 6:34 Seeking the Kingdom of God.
2. Having an over-abundance of basic needs met.
 - a. Mal 3:10 Tithing.
3. Living with over-abundance.
 - a. Luke 6:38 Offerings: Giving and receiving.
4. Prospering.
 - a. Prov 10:4 Being diligent.

5. Having riches.
 - a. Prov 22:4 Walking in Godly humility.
6. Great wealth and inventions.
 - a. Prov 3:13-19; Prov 4:7-9; Prov 8:11-12; Prov 16:16; 1 Ki 3:9-14; 1 Ki 4:29-30
Walking in Godly wisdom.
7. Abounding to every good work.
 - a. 2 Cor 9:8 Walking in the anointing.

F. Basic Prosperity.

1. Matt 6: 25-34 Seek first the Kingdom of God and His ways.
2. Luke 12:22-31 God will provide for all your basic needs.
3. Gen 12:1,2; 13:2 Abraham followed God and was blessed with prosperity.
4. Gen 12:4; 13:5-6 Lot went with Abraham and was also blessed by God.
5. Deut 8:3-4; 29:5; Neh 9:21 Israel in wilderness had manna, water, quail, clothing.
6. 1 Kings 17:1-6 God sent ravens to bring food to Elijah by stream.
7. 1 Kings 17:7-16 The widow was miraculously sustained during the famine.
8. 2 Kings 4:1-7 Widow's sons saved from slavery by the cruse of oil.
9. Ps 37:25 Righteous never forsaken, nor seed begging bread.
10. Matt 14:14-21 Jesus fed the 5000, who were seeking God.
11. Matt 15:32-38 Jesus fed the 4000, who were seeking God.
12. Acts 2:41-45; 4:33-37 God provided for the new converts.
13. Matt 7:7-11 Our Heavenly Father desires to give good things to His children.
14. Phil 4:19 God has promised to supply all your needs.