



Topic: Giving and Tithing

LESSON PLAN

Purpose: To teach that giving is more than money.

Focus: To stir up an attitude of giving in things, service, words, money, time, and love.

Scriptures:

1. 2 Corinthians 9:7, "Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (NIV)
2. 2 Corinthians 8:9, "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that you through his poverty might be rich." (KJV)

Lie Buster:

- I live a life of giving to God and others.
- Giving is a door to the miraculous.
- I am blessed to be a blessing.

Teaching Styles: Study teaching notes and use interactive object lessons to reinforce teaching points.



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Object Lesson 1: How God Gave

Teaching Point: For a radical change or breakthrough, we need to give a radical offering. Something that costs us a lot. The cost doesn't mean only in money.

1. What is a gift that God gave that cost a lot? (Jesus) His gift brought us life. Show picture of Jesus on the cross. God is the greatest giver.
2. Pick some Bible characters, (use pictures) and have the class tell what each of them gave. Ask what was the result of their giving?
3. Think of Abraham who was required to sacrifice (give) his son. In that offering God then made him the father of a multitude of sons and daughters.
4. From these examples of Bible givers, what does this speak to you that you go give?

Object Lesson 2: Teaching the tithe and the Offering

Point:

To give practical hands on practice to understand and give a tithe and offering.

Props:

Real money

1. Count out money for a child or several. Ask them what belongs to God? See how many know the answer. Now this belongs to God (take a dime from the 10 dimes).
2. Now here is what you have. From this 90 cents, what would you like to give as an offering? When we word it that way that gives the child the seed to think beyond tithe and make a choice for giving.

Object Lesson 3. Tithing on the First Fruits

Point:



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Developing in the children, giving goes beyond our money. We are givers in all things.

Props:

Little candies or tiny crackers (10 for each child)

1. Pass our 10 little candies, or tiny crackers to each child.
2. Ask the class what part belongs to God. Pass a basket around to receive the "tithe."
3. Now what would each of you like to give to: think of someone.....teacher, pastor, the kids in another class etc. This will make them think.
4. Pass a basket to receive the gifts. Don't pass judgement on any, this is a choice they make. Maturity will develop for giving.
5. After the offering is received, tell them you are going to give their gift to one of the other children's classes.

Object Lesson 4: Miracles and Sacrifices

Point:

What to do when there is not enough. Miracles are sovereign manifestations of God. Sometimes God has another plan. To see where our heart is when we have our flesh doesn't have what it wants. A time to allow the character of Christ to develop.

Props:

Snack for the class. Bible story book of the loaves and the fishes.

1. Teach the story of the boy who didn't have enough food for the multitude.
2. Purposely only have a very little snack. Not nearly enough to feed everyone. Ask the class what you should do. Be prepared for their answers.
3. Only do this after class. If they were sharing in their limited snack time, reward them with a special treat of food. Don't tell them they will get blessed if they share generously. Only bless if they blessed each other and thanked God for what they did have.



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Object Lesson 5: Attitudes of a Giver

Point:

To locate what the children know on giving and help them grow in an attitude of a giver.

1. Write the words from question #1 of the Study Sheet on the board. Cheerfully, Forcefully, Junk, Obediently, The tithe, Only half, Thankfulness, Generously, To the poor, The best, Someone else's stuff, Expecting, With love, Willingly, In Fear, In faith. (For younger children write them on pieces of paper and place them in a basket.)
2. Each child picks a word. Explain or dramatize each word. For younger children magazine pictures help teach the truths. The child will decide if it is a godly attitude of giving. Circle the correct words written on the board. Younger children place the correct words in the offering basket and throw the ungodly answers in a trash can.
3. If a child does have some ungodly thoughts or practices toward giving, ask them why. Ask the children if they want God's heart toward giving. Pray with them, renounce and break agreement with lies and ungodly practices and beliefs that are in the children. Pray a release of faith and a spirit of godly giving.

Object Lesson 6. Assign the Seed a Destiny

Point:

When we give, we place an assignment to the seed. Be sure to sow in good soil. A place that is proven fruitful.

Example: Farmer sows in prepared soil, plants good seed in good soil, waits patiently, knows what he sows, expects a harvest, has faith for a bigger return.

1. Whatever kind of seed; corn, pea, bean, wheat, carrot, marigold, tomato etc.; the crop that comes will always be because of the genetic marker that the seed has been assigned, to produce after it's own kind.
2. Teach the children to pray over their giving with faith, that God will hear and honor their sowing.



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3. Sow into them the importance to assign their giving a destiny. Have them request to God the harvest they are expecting from their giving.

Object Lesson 7: Giving is Limitless in God's Kingdom

Point:

To show the many ways children of God are givers.

Props:

Pictures (from magazines) of the many ways people give in addition to money. This will include many forms of service, at home, at church, at work, at school, in government etc.

1. Talk about these and allow the children to share how they can be givers.
2. Encourage the children to choose a way to practice giving. You could give them an assignment to commitment to a form of giving and report back to class when the completed the giving.

Object Lesson 8: Overflowing Blessing to the Giver (Man gives to man)

Point:

Luke 6:38 " Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." (KJV)

Props:

Candy, a bucket; pictures of givers and rocks.

Part One: What we sow is what we reap.

1. Ask what are some things that we can give? Allow the children to answer. Place answers in a bucket. (Can have pictures or words to illustrate.)



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2. The contrast: Ask, if I give someone an angry response, does that mean I will have an angry response in my bucket? Yes. If I steal from someone, I will be stolen from? Yes. Ask class some more negative forms of giving.
3. We don't want these kinds of measures poured on us. This is the place where a helper has the negative forms of giving placed in his pockets. Or you can act out the actions toward the helper.
4. Review if necessary some positive forms of giving. Hugs, kindness, smiles, etc.

Part Two: Our blessing returns are always good and come in many forms as we give.

1. All children like candy. Show a bucket with a few pieces of candy in it.
2. Start with an empty bucket. Fill it to overflowing with candy or use another item that has meaning to children. Have at least two pieces per child in your class.
3. What kind of blessing would you rather have? What is the Bible way to receive full to overflowing blessings. Where does the overflow go? Others receive our overflow.
4. Because you are here in this class you will be blessed with blessings that may not be seen today. God is putting truth in your spirit that will grow and produce fruit or blessings in your life and the life of others. It will be much better than anything I could give you. God's blessings are eternal.
5. I want to bless you just because you are here today and hungry for the word of God. I have pieces of candy for you when leave. Remind me that I have a blessing for you.

Object Lesson 9: Stagnant Water

Point:

What is kept for selfish, fearful reasons will be lost and release the enemies purposes; death. Matthew 6:19 - 24. Trusting God for all provision will always cause us to have full Kingdom inheritance. Giving breaks the poverty mentality.



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Props:

A clean glass of water; a dirty glass of water, a funnel, chewing gum, pitcher of water and a bowl to catch excess water.

1. Show a clear glass of pure water. Talk it up about how good it is. Would you drink this? Why? This glass represents a Christian who believes God and to lives to give.
2. Show the funnel. Or obedience (the funnel) is the means through which God's blessing are released.
3. Show the water pitcher. This represents God and His life of blessing. Pour out the water through the funnel into the glass of water. Now the water is overflowing. Wow! Why? Because of obedience. We are open vessels for God to keep pouring through.
4. Show a glass of dirty, stinky water. Who would want to drink this? Why? Wash clothes or get a bath in this. This glass is like a Christian who doesn't trust God, and lives to get. They still have Jesus (the water) but He is not seen in a stingy person.
5. Water becomes like this when it is stagnant. What is stagnant? Explain to the children. Flows in but doesn't flow out. The Dead Sea is another example. It is death.
6. Stagnant water lays still and becomes a breeding ground for insects and other pests.
7. Show chewing gum. This represents sin. Disobedience to God and His word to tithe and give. Put it in the funnel. When we sin, there is a blockage to what God wants to give us. At any time we can choose to sin by disobeying. That will stop our receiving.
8. Hold the funnel over a glass and pour the water from the pitcher into it. What happens? The water doesn't go into the glass. Where does it go?
9. Does our sin stop God from being a Giver? No. God is always a Giver. He commands us to give and tithe so we can be like Him, a Giver.
10. If we store up our treasure, (any kind, including our giftings and talents) Satan will come to steal it away. We must release and give what God has given us.



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11. Which kind of Christian do we want to be? Which kind of Christian does God want us to be? Which kind of Christian will show Jesus to a world that needs Him?

Object Lesson 10: Scissors Cut Holes in Our Bags (Fear and doubt)

Point:

Seek first the kingdom of God and all these things will be added. Here is a way that you can see how we lose God's blessings as the enemy steals from us. Fear and doubt holds us back from obedience and God's blessings.

Props:

Have two grocery bags one with a few tiny holes in it.

1. Ask which of these bags would hold the groceries?
2. The tiny holes may not lose much. But the more weight (of blessings or food) the more likely the hole will increase.
3. Disappointments or fears because of past experiences cause us to doubt God.
4. Hold up a pair of scissors. Can a pair of scissors cut a hole in this paper if only one blade is in tact? No.
5. Now cut a hole in the paper. The enemies of **fear** and **doubt** work together to keep back God's blessings to you. (You can use other enemies based on what areas your children deal with.) If you have a pair of scissors that come apart such as kitchen shears, they would enhance the point of your lesson. Even though fear and doubt work together, one can still punch holes in a bag.
6. Fear and doubt are like having a bag with holes. It can't receive or hold the blessings. Fear causes us to lose every time. Yielding to fear or doubt is like giving the enemy a pair of scissors to cut a hole in our bag, again and again. We get more holes and they can keep getting bigger if fear or doubt stays and has it's way.
7. Faith or believing God is what causes our holes to be closed or sewn up. Faith pleases God. Faith causes us to repent, receive healing and forgiveness. Our faith releases



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God's power to bind the enemy and drive him away (ties up the scissors and throws them away.)

8. Then when God has a blessing, it won't be stolen. We then can freely receive and freely give to another.
9. Take the bag with holes and replace it with a new bag.

Drama Skit: Half a Dollar - Rip

Point:

Can we give half and be Obedient in Giving and Tithing?

Joe has a dollar to put in the offering. He meets Lilly in the hall before service for the money exchange.

Lilly has (chocolate bars or cans of sodas) at church to raise money for missions. They are only 50 cents each.

Joe loves chocolate or soda..... "I will just give half my offering. After all I am giving to Lilly's mission fund by buying a chocolate bar. So I am still giving, right?"

Lilly is so excited to be getting mission money.

Joe tears a dollar bill in half and gives Lilly it to buy a candy bar. The other half he is going to put in the offering basket.

Lilly is flabbergasted that he could be so dumb. She won't give him the candy bar. They have an exchange about the money. Joe is reasoning that he still has his tithe so everything should be alright. Of course the point is a dollar torn in half is not worth fifty cents. It is not worth anything.



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Teaching Point after the skit:

This giving is motivated by what is for self benefit, chocolate, with the justification that it goes for missions. But it is in direct disobedience to God's Word, by not using the offering for the intended purpose. There will be many opportunities that will appear good, but not in accordance with God's word. The tithe must go to house of the Lord first, no matter what other good things are also before us.

All or none; that is how it is with God when we give in our own reasoning and excuses. There is no value to the giving. It's like not giving at all, and may be worse. We are under the curse when we give half heartedly; or in our reasoning which is disobedience.

Drama Skit: Robbing God

Point:

A Christian hears the voice of God and follows. Some Christians chose not to obey. They are cursed because they rob God. That invites the robber to rob from us. Giving invites God to bless us and others as He rebukes the devourer.
Malachi 3: 8 - 12 (God gives to man more than he can receive.)

Characters:

A Christian giver
A Christian who is not a giver
A robber
God

Setting:

God has a two bags of blessings with the Christians names written on them. God is so excited to go and give the bag to each Christian and tells them these are the blessings He has planned for their lives. The voice of the Lord speaks concerning giving and tithing. One obeys and one does not. The robber goes and steals the blessing from the disobedient Christian. A curse is released. God pulls a blessing from the obedient Christian's bag. The robber sees the Christian with his blessings and sneaks around to



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try to steal them. God comes by and rebukes the robber. The robber tries several times to steal from the Christian. But is rebuked by God.

Each Christian has a grocery bag. Non-giver has a few packages or gifts representing blessings in his bag. The giver has many more packages in his bag.

Examples for the boxes:

Blessings: Healing, happy family, joy, peace, friends, favor in school, new job.

Curses: Sickness, Divorce, premature death, depression, turmoil, no friends, or bad friends, trouble in school.

Teacher: Will pick up on the points from the skit and may follow up with a time of repentance for the sins of our ancestors and our own sins. Pray and make a choice to change the course for our life, our family and our nation. We will obey God. Go home and pray and ask God how to start in being a giver. Next time the children come to class ask them what the Lord spoke to them.

God:

(enters holding a large bag with blessings. Moves to center stage.)

God:

Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in my house and prove me now here... if I will not open to you the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing, that there will not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes.

(As God is speaking the two Christians come in. One on each side of God. they are both carrying their own paper bags.)

God:

O how I am looking forward to blessing you both today! Look at all I have for you!!

(They both look in the big bag that God is holding with excitement and joy!)

God:



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Your part is to obey and bring Me your tithes.

Non-Giver:

I will be right back (Moves to back stage, facing back while giver talks.)

Giver:

I thank you Lord for blessing me and my family! I will obey your word. Here is my tithe. Here also is my offering. (Places it in the basket at God's feet.)

(God reaches into the Blessing bag and begins to transfer some of the Blessings into the giver's bag. The giver is very happy and thankful. God then steps back.)

Robber:

(the robber enters and tries to steal from the giver's bag.) Oh, goodies from God. I want these. Hey, that is not yours, I had it first, give it to me...

God:

(Steps forward and rebukes the robber. The robber tries several times, but fails. The robber runs off with nothing.)

Non-Giver:

(Enters) God I love you word. BUT...I can't give my tithe today. I only have money to buy food. You don't want my family to starve?

God:

(Shakes his head no)

Non-Giver:

I knew you would see it my way. And I won't have an offering this week either. Sister Grace always gives extra though. BUT... I know you are a loving God so, I will STILL TAKE the blessings you have for me. (Smiles in a charming way towards God, as if that would help.)

God:



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(To the Non-Giver) You heard my word. You know how much I want to bless you- that is MY will!...But because you refuse to obey my word, I cannot give you the blessings that I desire to... You are choosing to live under a curse and that breaks my heart!

Robber:

(Robber comes in and starts to take the blessings out of the non-giver's blessing bag.)

Non-Giver:

Stop!!! Those are my blessings!!! God why won't you do something?!!! Your word says that you would rebuke the devourer for my sake!!

God:

(He is silent. He shows grief and sadness on his face and with his actions.)

Robber:

Look at all these blessings!! And they are mine!! HA...HA...HA...Ha!!! (Drops rocks in the bag.)

(Robber runs off with some of the blessing that were in the non-givers bag.)

Non-Giver:

NO!!! God, why are you allowing thing? You said in Your Word that You would rebuke the devourer for my sake!!! (Even more emphasis this time) You are allowing this thief to STEAL all the blessings that you made for me!! And look at all the problems I keep getting. Oh, I feel so sick! What have I done to deserve this?!!!

God:

You have robbed ME!

Non-Giver:

NEVER!!!

God:

Yet YOU, have robbed me!!!



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Non-Giver:

(Has a look of shock and disbelief.) Me! I have gone to church my whole life! I have told many others about You and your Kingdom!!! (Somewhat annoyed) How have I robbed You??!!

God:

You ask ME how you have robbed Me? (Pause) In tithes and offerings. (Another pause) You chose to not believe my word. Your choice allows failure to come on you because you have robbed me!

Non-Giver:

(stands and looks ashamed.)

Giver:

(Comes and stands beside the Non-Giver.) You don't have to be cursed. Look at me!! (Non-Giver looks at the giver with all his blessings...VERY annoyed!)

Non-Giver:

Oh yeah, How??

Giver:

(Very excited and eager to tell.) You obey what God says in His Word. In Malachi 3:8-12, He tells us to not rob Him, by not giving tithes and offerings. When we obey, god pours out His blessing. He gives so much that we are too small to hold it all. Wow! And then God even stops every robber that tries to steal our blessing. God is protecting us and chasing that thief, the devil, away. See... My bag is so full it is starting to rip open.

Non-Giver:

WOW!! (Finally understands and hits himself in the side of his head as if to wake himself up.) I have been robbing God for yours!! No wonder that robber kept stealing my blessings!! I was under a curse!! Yuk!! (A look of determination comes over him.) Well, no more!! (Leans over to pray) Lord, I ask that you forgive me for robbing you all these years. I repent. I promise to bring you my tithes and my offerings to You!! Amen!

Giver:

Now that is a prayer that pleases God.



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Non-Giver:

Well, if I please God, that is what counts. My family will be blessed when I obey God.

(Non-giver has now become a giver. He places the tithes and offerings in that basket in front of God. A BIG smile comes on God's face. God then reaches into the blessing bag and pulls out several blessings and puts the blessings into the non-givers bag.)

Robber:

(comes and tries to steal from the Non-Giver again.)

God:

(BUT this time God rebukes him!) No more stealing from this son! Go!

Robber:

No not another GIVER! Arahahaha!!! (Robber runs out with NOTHING!)

TEACHER STUDY NOTES

Definition: The ten percent that belongs to God.

A. Belongs to God and God only

Malachi 3:8-12 "Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, 'In what way have we robbed You?' In tithes and offerings. You are cursed with a curse, for you have robbed Me, even this whole nation. Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and try Me now in this," says the LORD of hosts, "If I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it. "And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, so that he will not destroy the fruit of your ground, nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field," says the LORD of hosts; "And all nations will call you blessed, for you will be a delightful land," says the LORD of hosts." (NKJ)

Leviticus 27:30 "A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the LORD; it is holy to the LORD." (NIV)

Giving or a gift



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It is an expression of Love with no strings attached. There is no wanting something in return. No thoughts of "I expect you to give to me too, or you owe me." The gift given is not the original owners but when released becomes the possession of the receiver.

A. GIVING RELEASES GIVING AND GOD'S FAVOR (GRACE)

Proverbs 3:9-10 "Honor the LORD from your wealth, and from the first of all your produce; So your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine." (NAS)

Luke 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you." (NKJ)

2 Corinthians 9:6-15 "But remember this-- if you give little, you will get little. A farmer who plants just a few seeds will get only a small crop, but if he plants much, he will reap much. Everyone must make up his own mind as to how much he should give. Don't force anyone to give more than he really wants to, for cheerful givers are the ones God prizes. God is able to make it up to you by giving you everything you need and more so that there will not only be enough for your own needs but plenty left over to give joyfully to others. It is as the Scriptures say: "The godly man gives generously to the poor. His good deeds will be an honor to him forever." For God, who gives seed to the farmer to plant, and later on good crops to harvest and eat, will give you more and more seed to plant and will make it grow so that you can give away more and more fruit from your harvest. Yes, God will give you much so that you can give away much, and when we take your gifts to those who need them they will break out into thanksgiving and praise to God for your help. So two good things happen as a result of your gifts-- those in need are helped, and they overflow with thanks to God. Those you help will be glad not only because of your generous gifts to themselves and to others, but they will praise God for this proof that your deeds are as good as your doctrine. And they will pray for you with deep fervor and feeling because of the wonderful grace of God shown through you. Thank God for his Son-- his Gift too wonderful for words." (TLB)

B. What and how to give

1) The attitude of giving is one of willingness and joy

2 Corinthians 9:6-8 "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has



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decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." (NIV)

- 2) Give praise to the one due the praise, God

Luke 18:43 "And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God." (KJV)

- 3) Give thanks

Psalms 30:12 "that my heart may sing to you and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever." (NIV)

- 4) Give yourself

Psalms 109:4 "In return for my love they are my accusers, but I give myself to prayer." (NKJ)

- 5) Give what you vow to (promise) for then it becomes God's. You can't take it back.

Acts 5:1-11 (Read) 1 "Now a man named Ananias, together with his wife Sapphira, also sold a piece of property." (NIV)

ALMS

Alms is above the tithe and offerings. Alms goes beyond self to those who can not supply for their personal needs such as poor or widows.

A. PERSONAL BENEFITS OF ALMS GIVING: FOR THE GIVER

- 1) Shows where your heart is and supplies you with all the kingdom resources.

Luke 12:31-34 "But seek the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added to you. "Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. "Sell what you have and give alms; provide yourselves money bags which do not grow old, a treasure in the



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heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches nor moth destroys. "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also".(NKJ)

- 2) Displays the givers right heart attitude that has eternal benefits.

2 Corinthians 9:9 As it is written: "He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." (NIV)

- 3) Makes an attraction for the supernatural; brings miracles. Dorcas was raised from the dead.

Acts 9:36-43 (read) 36 "In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (which, when translated, is Dorcas), who was always doing good and helping the poor." (NIV)

Acts 9:36 "Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is called Dorcas: this woman was full of good works and almsdeeds which she did." (KJV)

SACRIFICE

A sacrifice requires the death of something or someone. Of course Jesus was the perfect sacrifice that took the place of animal sacrifices in the Old Testament. A sacrifice is always for the benefit of another, not for our self. The surrender of ownership of precious things and desires is our daily sacrifice to put the will of God before our preferences. It is our devotion to God that sets our giving apart from others.

- A. Sacrifice your all (Dying to self and our desires)

- 1) This boy gave all that he had. It was what would give physical supply and nourishment to him. His sacrifice supplied for all who were in need plus leftovers.

John 6:9-14 "There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many? And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would. When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore



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they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world." (KJV)

Matthew 26:7 There came unto him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on his head, as he sat at meat." (KJV)

B. Sacrifice in lack or need

Luke 21:1-4 As he looked up, Jesus saw the rich putting their gifts into the temple treasury. He also saw a poor widow put in two very small copper coins.

"I tell you the truth," he said, "this poor widow has put in more than all the others.

All these people gave their gifts out of their wealth; but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on." (NIV)

C. Sacrifice of praise

Hebrews 13:15 "Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name." (NKJ)

D. THE SACRIFICE OF RELIGIOUS TRADITIONS AND HIGH MINDEDNESS

- 1) The following scriptures are other forms of giving up the old ways of selfishness and religious acts that have no fruit or pleasure to God.

Micah 6:8 "He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" (KJV)

Proverbs 21:3 "To do justice and judgment is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice." (KJV)

Psalms 51:16-17 "For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it: thou delightest not in burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise." (KJV)



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Hebrews 13:16 "But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased." (KJV)

OFFERINGS

Offerings are daily devotions to our God that bring us continually before Him in a heart posture of worship.

A. Thanks offerings: What is there to give thanks for?

- 1) Think about it? Then give the thanks due to the ONE who is worthy of all our worship and devotion.

Jeremiah 33:11 "the sounds of joy and gladness, the voices of bride and bridegroom, and the voices of those who bring thank offerings to the house of the LORD, saying, "Give thanks to the LORD Almighty, for the LORD is good; his love endures forever." For I will restore the fortunes of the land as they were before,' says the LORD." (NIV)

B. We can be God robbers if we withhold offerings; we become cursed.

Malachi 3:8-9 "Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, 'In what way have we robbed You?' In tithes and offerings. You are cursed with a curse, for you have robbed Me, even this whole nation." (NKJ)



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NAME: _____

GIVING AND TITHING STUDY SHEET

1. Circle the expressions of Giving.

Willingly In fear In faith Cheerfully Forcefully Junk Obediently

The tithe Only half Thankfulness Generously To the poor The best

Someone else's stuff Expecting With love

2. Memory Verse: : Say out loud three times. Memorize the **bold** text. Fill-in the missing words in the verse.

2 Corinthians 9:7 Each man should _____ what he has decided in his _____ to **give,** (not reluctantly or under compulsion), **for God loves a cheerful**_____.
(NIV)

3. Pray this week and ask God how He would have you give. Do what God tells you. What did God tell you to give? _____ When did you give? _____

4. The tithe belongs to whom? (Check the answer)

- ____ A. My Dad
____ B. The pastor
____ C. God

The Tithe is what part of the offering? (Check the correct answer)

- ____ A. All of it
____ B. 10 %
____ C. 50%

REQUIREMENTS: YOUNGER KIDS QUESTIONS 1 - 4; OLDER CHILDREN: ALL



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5. Read 1 Kings 17: Who did God provide to feed the prophet? _____
6. What did she give to Elijah? (Check the correct answer)
- A. Nothing B. The first bread C. The leftovers
7. Did she live or die when she gave? _____ Did her sick son live or die? _____
8. Draw lines to match the word with the meaning of the different types of giving.

Tithe	<u>To present as an act of worship or devotion</u>
Gift (giving)	<u>One tenth of our income returned to God</u>
Alms	<u>The surrender of ownership of precious things and desires</u>
Sacrifice	<u>Something (as money or food) given freely to help the poor</u>
Offering	<u>Expression of Love with no "Now I expect you to give to me"</u>