

God promises to meet our needs. In your opinion, what is included in “needs?” What are the implications of that definition?

Read Matthew 23:23. What does this teach about the relative importance of tithing? Why do you think the Pharisees had their priorities so mixed up?



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Scripture References

Exodus 25 • Malachi 3:8-12 • Proverbs 3:9-10
1 Corinthians 9:7-11 • Luke 6:38 • 2 Corinthians 9:6
James 4:2-3 • 1 Timothy 6:5 • Psalms 89:11

Prayer Requests

- 1) We often think our security is based on how much money we have, but it’s really based on how much _____ we have.
- 2) To create the Tabernacle, Moses was instructed to accept donations from anyone whose _____ was moved to give.
- 3) God commanded the people to give a _____ (10%) of all their increase. The tithe was to come from the first of the harvest - the _____.

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- 4) Livestock offerings were to be the best animals in the flock or herd. God was teaching the people that _____.
- 5) God promises to protect us and bless us when we are _____ to him financially.
- 6) The purpose of the tithe is to support those dedicated to _____. The people were to give (to support ministry) at the same place they _____.
- 7) The scriptural _____ is to give God 10% of our income and live on the remaining 90%. God's blessing on 90% of your income is far better than 100% _____.
- 8) You can _____ to trust God or not to trust God, but the results will be very different.
- 9) Sometimes people _____ God's promises into something they are not meant to be, as if giving is a way to get rich; but God cannot be _____.
- 10) God doesn't need your _____. But he wants your _____.

Small Group Discussion Questions

Please try to think these over and jot down some ideas prior to discussing them at the meeting, it will improve the discussion.



In your estimation, what percentage of Bible-believing Christians tithe? What percentage do not give at all? Why did you choose those numbers?

In your opinion, what might be the most common reason that people do not tithe? Is that a valid reason? Why or why not?

In what ways can tithing be seen as a form of worship or spiritual discipline? How can it help us prioritize our relationship with God?

Continued on reverse.