



“THE 7 PILLARS OF OUR CHURCH” Pillars Part 6: The Discipline of Giving

How will I know if I am a bad financial steward?

1. If I must **pawn** something in order to get daily **resources**.
2. If I put off this **bill** to pay next **month**.
3. If I am **borrowing** money to pay **bills**.
4. If I am making **loans** to pay off **debts**.
5. If I am having **nightmares** about **money**.
6. If I am **constantly stressed about finances**.
7. If **debt collectors** are calling me.
8. If I am receiving **disconnect** notifications.
9. If I have something pending with **a collection agency**.
10. If I don't know **my credit score**.
11. If I am not paying **bills on time**.
12. If I am not **fiscally responsible**.

The Discipline of Giving

- The Nation of Israel had left God. God was extremely angry with the Nation.
- The anger of God has consequences.
- There must be recognition of sin and restitution made to the Savior.
- God also can withhold blessings from His Creatures.

I. The **Return** Of The **Saints**

Mal. 3:6-8

A. The tithe is **100%** of your **gross** earnings.

Gen.14:20; Lev.27:30

B. There is a **curse** because of disobedience.

C. God is a God of **wrath**.

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II. The Reason For God’s Statement **Mal. 3:10**

- A. There were **3** types of tithes in the Old Testament.
- B. The tithes were for the food festivals, charity, and the Levites.
- C. The storehouse is the room in the temple where grain was kept.
- D. Meat represents ministries, missions, and ministers.

Jesus mentioned tithes in Matthew 23:23 and Luke 11:42. He mentioned being born again in John 3.

III. The Resources That Heaven Showers **Mal. 3:10-12**

- A. God will provide for you bountifully.
 - 1. He will water what you plant.
Proverbs 3:9-10; Proverbs 11:24-25; Luke 6:38; II Cor. 9:6
- B. God will protect your blessing. **Mal. 3:11**
 - 1. He will handle the pests.
 - 2. He will ensure you from delivering prematurely.
- C. God will cause others to perceive that you are blessed. **Mal. 3:12**