

**Malachi: Love. Honor. Legacy**  
**“An Unchanging God, a Greedy People,  
 and a Surprising Test ”**

**Malachi 3:6-12**

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**Key Truth:**

**Giving is a test of trust.**

**Four Observations from Malachi 3:6-12:**

1. Malachi 3:10 is the only place in Scripture where God gives His people **permission** to test Him. (Deuteronomy 6:16)
2. In difficult times God’s people will always be tempted to give less than their **best**. (Malachi 1:7-14)
3. Tithing or giving has always been God’s way of **financing** His work. (Malachi 3:5; Deuteronomy 14:22-29)
4. The primary purpose of the tithe was and is to put God **first** in our lives. (Deuteronomy 14:22-23; Matthew 6:21)

**Today’s  
Worship  
Songs:**

At Your Name (Yahweh, Yahweh) – *Phil Wickham*  
 Open Up The Heavens – *Vertical Church Band*  
 Forever Reign – *Hillsong*  
 Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone) – *Chris Tomlin*

**My Next Steps: This Week...**

- I will pray and thank God daily for His blessings (financial, material, spiritual, etc.) upon my life.
- With every dollar/paper bill I touch, I will ask myself the question, “Who do I trust more—God or money?”
- I will memorize Jesus’ words from Luke 16:13, “No servant can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money.”

