

**Malachi: Love. Honor. Legacy**  
**“Tithing, Grace Giving, and Our Step of Faith”**

Malachi 3:6-12

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**Key Truth:**

Faith increases ***giving***,  
 and ***giving*** increases faith.

*“But remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you the ability to produce wealth...” Deuteronomy 8:18*

*“The earth is the Lord's and everything in it...” Psalm 24:1*

1. Jesus ***commended*** giving in the life of a believer.

*“Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices — mint, dill and cumin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law — justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former.”*  
 Matthew 23:23



2. Paul ***clarified*** giving in the life of a believer.

*“Now about the collection for God's people: Do what I told the Galatian churches to do. On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made. Then, when I arrive, I will give letters of introduction to the men you approve and send them with your gift to Jerusalem.”* 1 Corinthians 16:1-4

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

**Today's  
 Worship  
 Songs:**

Your Love Never Fails - *Jesus Culture*  
 Christ is Enough - *Hillsong Live*  
 I Lift My Hands - *Chris Tomlin*  
 Cornerstone - *Hillsong Live*

**My Next Steps:**

- This week I will strive to put God first in every aspect of my life.
- This week I will pray and ask God what He would have me to give to the church on regular, proportional, and cheerful basis.
- This week I will find a way to bless/serve at least one person.