

GOD KNOWS THE FUTURE AND HAS A PLAN

Family Devotion — Lesson 90

MEMORY VERSE — MALACHI 3:8

“Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.”

- God asked a shocking question to get His people’s attention... *“Will a man rob God?”* The people wanted to know how they had robbed Him. God let them know that it was by the neglect of tithes and offerings. A tithe is 10%. An offering is giving besides the tithe.
- The Bible gives us many reasons and examples of why giving to God is important.
- God’s plan is for His people to give! He tells us what the future holds if we do or don’t.
- This is what God says will happen when we give:

WHEN YOU GIVE MORE, YOU WILL BE BLESSED MORE

“But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully” (2 Cor. 9:6).

WHEN YOU GIVE CHEERFULLY, GOD LOVES IT

“Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver” (2 Cor. 9:7).

WHEN YOU GIVE, GOD GIVES YOU GRACE AND BLESSINGS

“And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work” (2 Cor. 9:8).

- Giving is an act of faith and worship, and it demonstrates your love for God and His mission.
- God is a giving God, and His will is for you to reflect his nature in your giving.



QUESTIONS TO DISCUSS

- Do you think God needs our money? Explain.
- Have you ever been reluctant to give? What do you think gets in the way of us being cheerful givers?
- Read Matthew 6:21. Why do you think your heart follows what you give?



PRAYER TIME

- Ask God to help you be cheerful when you give.
- Thank God for giving you His Son Jesus.



CHALLENGE

- The next time you give, smile big and tell God you love Him.