

## OTHER VERSES ABOUT GIVING:

In **Job 41:11** God tells us that everything belongs to God!

In the Book of **Malachi, Chapter 3:8-15**.

Here God's word says that people can steal from God! Did you know that? We can steal God's Treasure by not bringing our right offering to Him! But notice also that we can steal His Time by not serving Him as He wants. NOTE that God's word here suggests that we are our own worst enemy! Can we blame God for that? We steal His part and the devourer takes our jobs and we don't have enough to pay our bills. So 10% is the Goal for our right offerings of Time AND Treasure. Each one of us needs to keep increasing our weekly money offering and our time offering until our offerings finally equal the 10% goal!

Jesus says in **Matthew 22:21**: The money you owe the government, that money pay-to the government. The money you owe God...that money pay to God!

Jesus teaches us in **Luke 12:13-34**. He tells us that greed leads people to hell! Greed is selfishness, wanting only for myself.

Jesus teaches us in **Luke 13:6-9**. He keeps sharing His good word, the Gospel, with us. That is His power to change our life and have "fruit," meaning His actions. His law guides us to know the actions (fruit) that God wants He wants to change us so we grow towards His 10% offering goal!

Jesus teaches us in **Matthew 25:14-30**. He expects us to be good managers. He gives us **everything** we have; all our time, all our skills, all our possessions! His Gospel Word empowers us to manage all these things well, His way!

Paul teaches in **1 Corinthians 16:1-4** that each person should lay aside a portion, that is a percent (%) amount, of the Lord's money for the Lord's work! God provides all we need including His 10% gift back to His work. Note: If we don't give it, we are stealing God's part (See above the verse from Malachi)! Each Sunday, he brings that Offering and gives it at Church OR he saves it and brings it the next time he comes to church!

**Give just as He has given to you!**

In **Hebrews 7:4-10**, the 10% Goal is talked about as a goal that does not change. That means that this goal is still our goal!

# My Giving Goal

A unique Stewardship folder.

First, it helps you understand that God also expects a Tithe the Time He's gifted to you. Secondly, without multiplication, it helps you understand and figure your Tithe of God's Treasure gift to you.

Thirdly, God's gift of all the Talents you have are given as part of the Tithe of Time and Treasure.

Did you know that the first “tithe” in the Bible is God speaking about your “tithe” of time? God does not use the term “tithe,” but, commands a specific amount! Genesis 2:3 – *So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation*

Next read: Exodus 20:8-11 –

*Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. ... For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and He rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.*

The diagram below shows you how the Third Commandment continues to guide us to give that same **Time Tithe** during each week:

Each week = 168 hours  
 10% = what?  
 16.8 hours each week!  
 16.8 God's hours  
 + 7.2 sleep  
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 24 hours!

## YOU CAN FIGURE YOUR 10% GOAL FOR YOUR MONEY!!

Now, find one of the following...

- ...a Social Security letter that shows last year's SS income;
- ...a W-2 tax paper showing the income you received last year;
- ...your last year's Tax Form 1040 (Adjusted Gross Income).

**First**, copy your dollar number into the first row of boxes.

**Second**, follow the arrows and copy each number into the box below that number.

**Third**, add the boxes like regular addition.

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"Tithe" (equals 10%) offering for EACH SUNDAY next year!

I will try my best to give back my "Tithe" offering to my Lord's work. I will give my "tithe" offering each Sunday, this year and next year.

NOTE: using this form figures that there are only 50 Sundays in any year. So you will finish 2 OR 3 Sundays early giving your "tithe". But on each of the last two or three Sunday's, you can give your same Sunday gift as a special Christmas offering!

## WHAT IS A TITHE OF YOUR TALENTS?

There are many verses about faith in action. God uses our talents as we give our financial and time tithes!

# THE BIBLE SAYS: 10% IS ALSO MY GOAL FOR MY MONEY GIFT!!

Study these examples to figure your offering on the next page.

**EXAMPLE:** a Social Security paper said that one person received \$5,322.85 from social security.

**First**, that recent dollar number (5,322.85), copy it, write each number into the boxes here:

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**Second**, follow the arrows. Copy each number into the box below it:

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	5	3	2
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 Easy!! You add: **5 32**  
+ **5 32**  
\$**10.64**

**Third**, add boxes joined by arrows:

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7	0	6	4
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 to this person to give **back** each Sunday for the Lord's work! Keep it = steal it!

**ANOTHER EXAMPLE:** Another person looked at his W-2 tax paper. The W-2 paper said he earned \$25,264.58 at his job.

**First**, that recent dollar number (25,264.58), copy it, write each number into the boxes here:

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2	5	2	6	4	5	8
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**Second**, follow the arrows. Copy each number into the box below it:

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2	5	2	6
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 Easy!! You add: **25 26**  
+ **25 26**  
\$**50.52**

**Third**, add boxes joined by arrows:

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5	0	5	2
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 to this person to give **back** each Sunday for the Lord's work! Keep it = steal it!

**A THIRD EXAMPLE:** Another person looked at his 1040 Tax Form and on the Adjusted Gross Income line says \$52,784.91.

**First**, that recent dollar number (52,784.91), copy it, write each number into the boxes here:

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**Second**, follow the arrows. Copy each number into the box below it:

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5	2	7	8
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 Easy!! You add: **52 78**  
+ **52 78**  
\$**105.56**

**Third**, add boxes joined by arrows:

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7	0	5	5	6
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 to this person to give **back** each Sunday for the Lord's work! Keep it = steal it!

**Meaning?**

God has given \$ 

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 to this person to give **back** each Sunday for the Lord's work! Keep it = steal it!

**So are we under the law now?**

For Christians the answer is **NO!**

**So the law has no purpose?**

Again, for Christians, the answer is **NO!**

First remember from Catechism that the

**Old Testament command was:**

*Worship God on His one day!*

**But Deuteronomy 11:18-19 says what?**

Your whole life belongs to God also!

*"Lay up these words in your heart and soul" (vs 18)*

What happens if the Devil deceives you to love other gods? (vs 16 & 17)

Jesus said: *Don't lay up treasure for yourselves where?* (Matt. 6:19)

**The New Testament command is: *Worship!***

*You shall love the Lord your God with **all** your heart and with **all** your soul and with **all** your mind and with **all** your strength. (Mark 12:30)*

The stone temple was at one place! But Jesus died and **what happened?** That stone

Temple's curtain split, top to bottom.

Jesus rose again and with Him, **who?** YOU!

**Why?** Romans 3:1-6 says God baptized His new life into you as your life!

***All** your heart... soul..., mind... strength.*

God poured out the Holy Spirit on His people!

God moved His Temple into His people!

We became the Temple of the Holy Spirit,

and, **with us as living stones, God IS**

**BUILDING** His Temple.

*"Like living stones, God is building you into a spiritual house" (1Pet. 2:5)*

All you have belongs to God. You bring His part back as your financial offering to God. It is the same with your time and talents. It all belongs to Him but you give His part, a special gift, back for His use!