



## A New Habit for an Amazing New Year

Malachi 3:6-12 (NLT)

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**Tithe = "to give a tenth of one's income"**

**"Bring all the tithes into the storehouse so there will be enough food in my Temple (Hebrew: in my house.)" - Malachi 3:10, NLT**

What would "food in God's house" look like in my church?

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### **Why Tithing?**

God uses the tithe to meet the Church's needs because we N\_\_\_\_\_ to give!

### **Steve's Story Part 1:**

Tithing is hard when you have L\_\_\_\_\_ of money.

**"For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows." - 1 Timothy 6:10, NLT**

Tithing takes away the P\_\_\_\_\_ of money.

### **Steve's Story Part 2:**

Tithing is hard when you D\_\_\_\_\_ much of money.

**"Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need. 'So don't worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring its own worries. Today's trouble is enough for today.'" - Matthew 6:33-34, NLT**

Tithing builds D\_\_\_\_\_ on God and brings P\_\_\_\_\_.

### **Obstacles to Tithing**

1. F\_\_\_\_\_ : I won't have enough.
2. I\_\_\_\_\_ : I would be OK if I just had a little more.
3. C\_\_\_\_\_ : I deserve what he/she/they have.
4. Forgetting the difference between W\_\_\_\_\_ and N\_\_\_\_\_.

My biggest obstacle(s) to tithing: \_\_\_\_\_

### **The Results: The Blessings of Tithing**

1. F\_\_\_\_\_ in God's house (verse 10a)
2. P\_\_\_\_\_ for us (verse 11)
  - Abundance (verse 11a): Monetary or non-monetary
  - Protection (verse 11b) : What we have lasts longer
3. Spiritual B\_\_\_\_\_ (verse 12)

### **The Invitation (God says, "Try it! Put me to the test!")**

- Try tithing for a year? Six months? Three months?