

# Money Back Guarantee

## So what does the Bible say?

Old Testament tithe

It did mean **10%**

But not money it was namely possessions like livestock, oil, grain, and fruit

It was 10% it was the **best** not the average or the worst

God wants your **heart** first

“Sometimes I think it is easier to give your money than your heart”–

## MALACHI 3:7-10

<sup>7</sup> Ever since the time of your forefathers you have turned away from my decrees and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you," says the LORD Almighty.

"But you ask, 'How are we to return?'

<sup>8</sup> "Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me.

"But you ask, 'How do we rob you?'

"In tithes and offerings. <sup>9</sup> You are under a curse—the whole nation of you—because you are robbing me. <sup>10</sup> Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.

## Why did God choose finances?

Because we spend most of our lives **revolving** around money, earning it, saving, giving it, spending it.

## **Well, I have to pay the bills, right?**

It is not the **amount** of your dollar that counts but the **heart** in which it is given

### **Mark 12:41-44**

<sup>41</sup>Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. <sup>42</sup>But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins,<sup>[a]</sup> worth only a fraction of a penny.<sup>[b]</sup>

<sup>43</sup>Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. <sup>44</sup>They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."

## **What about saving I have to save, right?**

**I know the bible says I should be a good steward with my money, right?**

### **Matt 6: 19**

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven where thieves do not break in and steal. For where you treasure is there your heart will be also”.

**Ok, God is in heaven and he owns everything - why does he need my money?**

2 reasons:

It is an issue of the things that **control** us and things that we don't let God **in** on,

“He is a jealous God and wants us to trust in Him for everything”

## **Where does the money go that I give?**

### **2 Corinthians 9:6-15**

<sup>6</sup>Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. <sup>7</sup>Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under

compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup>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. <sup>9</sup>As it is written:

"He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor;

his righteousness endures forever."<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>10</sup>Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. <sup>11</sup>You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

<sup>12</sup>This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. <sup>13</sup>Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. <sup>14</sup>And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. <sup>15</sup>Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

**So, what have we learned from all of this?**

**\*Do I trust the same God who has given me everything I have, to provide for me if I return a portion back to Him?**

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