

If the tithe is consecrated or set apart to God then we have two choices when it comes to the tithe. We can bring it or we can steal it.

“Most people never see a miracle because they never give God the opportunity to perform a miracle for them”
– Robert Morris

3) The first redeems the rest

When you give the first to God the rest is redeemed.

It’s about putting God first and if he is first he redeems the rest.

Questions for reflection/discussion:

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this weekend’s message?
2. What fears or concerns do you wrestle with when thinking about the principle of first?
3. If you started tithing by faith, how does this principle affect when and how you tithe? In what way does the timing stretch your faith?
4. Read Proverbs 11:24 – this verse reminds us, what we unjustly hold from God, we will lose. In what ways have you seen this principle at work in your life or in the life of someone close to you?
5. The first place we direct a portion of our money reveals something about what is “first” in our lives. What kinds of financial things are most likely to compete for “first place” in your heart?



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The key to a blessed life is a generous life.

Genesis 4:1-7

Abel brought the firstborn of his flock.

Cain brought an offering “in the course of time”.

Why give to God first? Why does it matter?

1) God is first

When we give to him first we recognize Him for who he is.

Tithing is the principle of putting God first in our lives.

2) It takes faith to give first

It takes faith to give before you know if you’re going to have any left over.

It’s not the 10% that brings the blessing... It’s you’re faith that enacts the blessing.

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