

# Giving Back to God in our Worship

*2 Corinthians 9:6 – 7 (6 But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.)*

Where does  
your money go?



## Giving back to God in the Old Covenant:

- Genesis 4:1 – 7
- What about tithing? When did it begin? How much was it really?
  - Malachi 3:8
  - Deuteronomy 14:22 – 29
  - “Among the Hebrews there were two tithings. The first was appropriated to the Levites (Nu 18:21). The second, being the tenth of what remained, was brought to Jerusalem in kind; or it was converted into money, and the owner, on arriving in the capital, purchased sheep, bread, and oil (De 14:22, 23).” – Jamieson, Fausset, & Brown Commentary)

# The principle of giving in the New Testament

- 1 Corinthians 16:1 – 2
- How they gave:
  - They gave as they had been prospered.
    - 2 Corinthians 8:1 – 4
    - Matthew 6:31 – 34
    - James 1:17
  - They gave to offer support to one another.
    - Acts 11:29 – 30
    - Acts 2:44 – 45
    - Acts 4:32 – 37
  - They gave as apart of their worship.
    - Acts 20:7

It's all the  
attitude!

- **Luke 18:9 – 14**
  - Luke 11:42
- **Matthew 6:19 – 21**
- **Mark 12:41 – 44; Luke 21:1 – 4**
- **2 Corinthians 9:6 – 7**
- **Two important elements in our giving:**
  - Giving should be purposeful.
  - Giving should be done in a cheerful way.

# Have you given your life to God?

**Romans 12:1 – 2** (*1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.*)