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**ALL IN: JOY**  
**2 Corinthians 9:6-15**



## JOY:

“a vivid emotion of pleasure arising from a sense of well-being or satisfaction”



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9 As it is written,  
“He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.”  
10 He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

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12 For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God. 13

By their approval of this service, they will glorify God because of your submission that comes from your confession of the gospel of Christ, and the generosity of your contribution for them and for all others,



14 while they long for you and pray for you,  
because of the surpassing grace of God upon  
you. 15 Thanks be to God for his inexpressible  
gift!

2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (ESV)



# The Tithe





“Every tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the trees, is the Lord's; it is holy to the Lord.”

Leviticus 27:30

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22 “You shall tithe all the yield of your seed that comes from the field year by year. 23 And before the Lord your God, in the place that he will choose, to make his name dwell there, you shall eat the tithe of your grain, of your wine, and of your oil, and the firstborn of your herd and flock, that you may learn to fear the Lord your God always.

Deuteronomy 14:22-23



“When you have finished paying all the tithe of your produce in the third year, which is the year of tithing, giving it to the Levite, the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow, so that they may eat within your towns and be filled,”

Deuteronomy 26:12



In the Old Testament Law, there are three tithes and other offerings, each with a different purpose.



“8 Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me.  
But you say, ‘How have we robbed you?’ In  
your tithes and contributions.”

Malachi 3:8

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Is the tithe part of God's universal moral law?

Or is it merely part of the Jews' ceremonial and civil system in the Old Testament?



There is no command or teaching  
about the tithe for Christians in the  
New Testament.



2 On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and store it up, as he may prosper, so that there will be no collecting when I come.

1 Corinthians 16:2





“18 And a ruler asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” 19 And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. 20 You know the commandments: ‘Do not commit adultery, Do not murder, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.’”



21 And he said, “All these I have kept from my youth.” 22 When Jesus heard this, he said to him, “One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” 23 But when he heard these things, he became very sad, for he was extremely rich.”

Luke 18:18-23



# New Testament Principles for Heart Giving

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“17 Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching. 18 For the Scripture says, “You shall not muzzle an ox when it treads out the grain,” and, “The laborer deserves his wages.”

1 Timothy 5:17-18



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Through it all, we give from a JOYFUL and CHEERFUL heart.





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“35 In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

Acts 20:35



“The less I spent on myself and the more I gave away, the fuller of happiness and blessing did my soul become.”

-Hudson Taylor



“These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.”

John 15:11

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“So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.”

John 16:22

“Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.”

John 16:24

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“Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, 2 looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.”

Hebrews 12:1-2



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