WHY SHOULD I

THE PURPOSE BEHIND THE TEN PERCENT



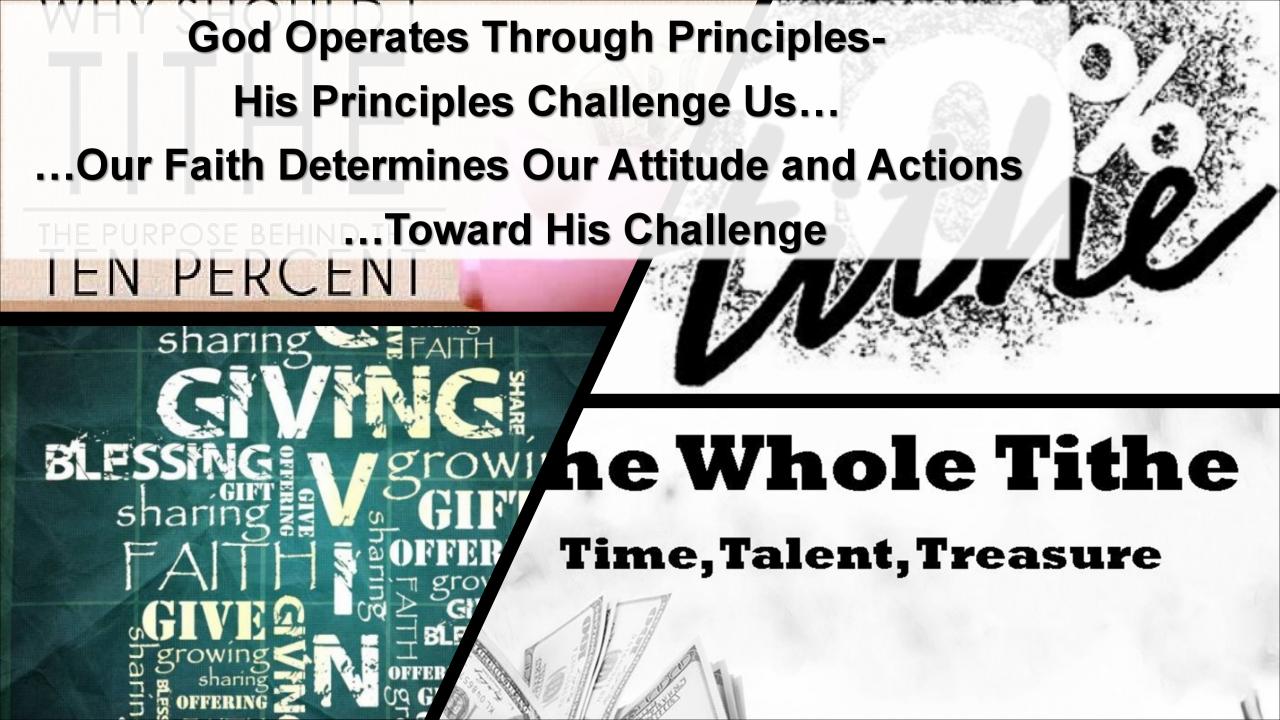




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THE PURPOSE What is the Deal About Tithing Anyway? **Part #2**







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This is the Only Principle Where God Gives Us...
...the Opportunity to Challenge Him

He Boldly Says ...

"Prove ME!"

Prove= to test (especially metals); investigate, examine,(trial)

You Take Care of His Business...
...He Will Take Care of Yours!

Malachi 3:6-12 (KJV)

⁶ For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed. ⁷ Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them. Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the LORD of hosts. But ye said, Wherein shall we return? 8 Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. 9 Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. 10 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. 11 And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts. 12 And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts.

This is the Last Message Before the 400 Silent Years ...Between the Old Test. and the New Test.

Timing





It was

- Specific ...bring .. all the Tithes
- Specified ...into the Storehouse
- Special ...there may be meat in My House

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts"

The Whole Tithe

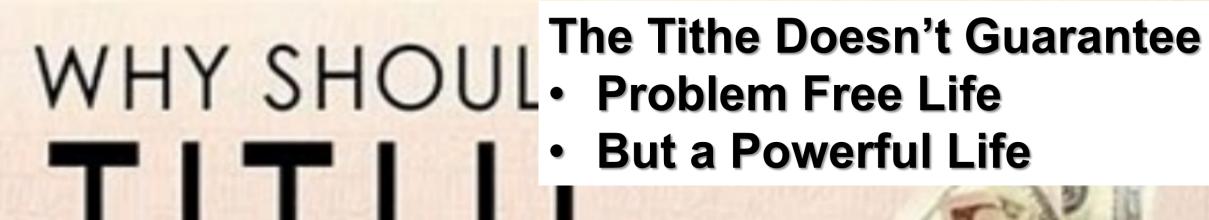
Time, Talent, Treasure



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- Prove (10a) prove me now herewith, saith..LORD of hosts
 - Challenge was not God Punishing them but...
 ...God Challenged them to Prove Him!!!
- Promise (10b) I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.
 - Change for the Good…
 - ...if the Good would Change
- Power (11) I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy...
 - Call Off the Destruction...
 - ...they had Called On Themselves





Remember
If You Take Care of God's Business...
...God Will Take Care of Yours

THE PURPOSE BEHIND THE
Remember
If You Do What You Can Do...
...God Will DO What You Can't Do

Tipping Point (10c)

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Notice He Called His House a Storehouse Principle Designated/ Designed by God ...the Tithe Principle

It is

- Recognized
 - oBy God
- Reciprocal
 - OBlesses Giver / Receiver
- Rewarding
 - Every Area of Life





7 7 Tipping Point (10c)

Why is the Tithe Connected to the Storehouse?

- It Can't Sustain Itself (Ministry Internal)
- It Can't Sustain Others (Ministry External)
- Not Because God Doesn't Have it –But Because He Invests In Us...

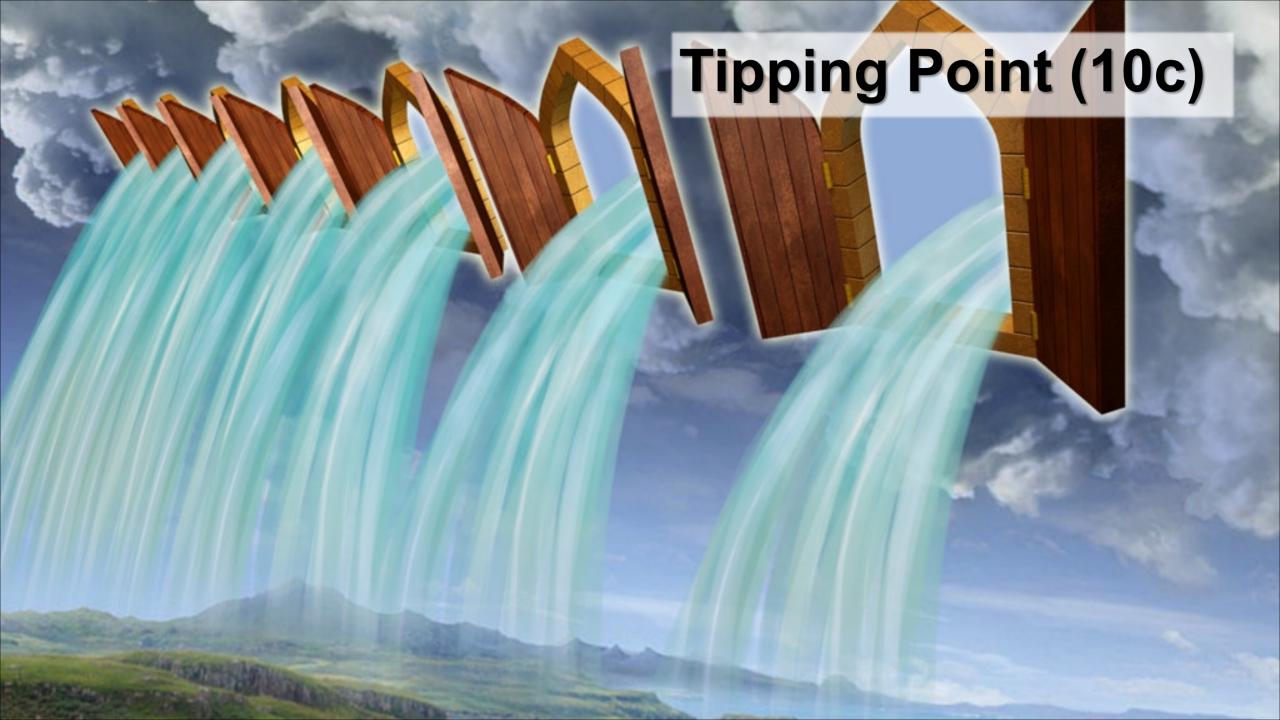
...He Wants Us to Invest In Him

In Our Bringing in the Tithe and Offering...

...We Become a Conduit

...We Are Blessed to BE a Blessing



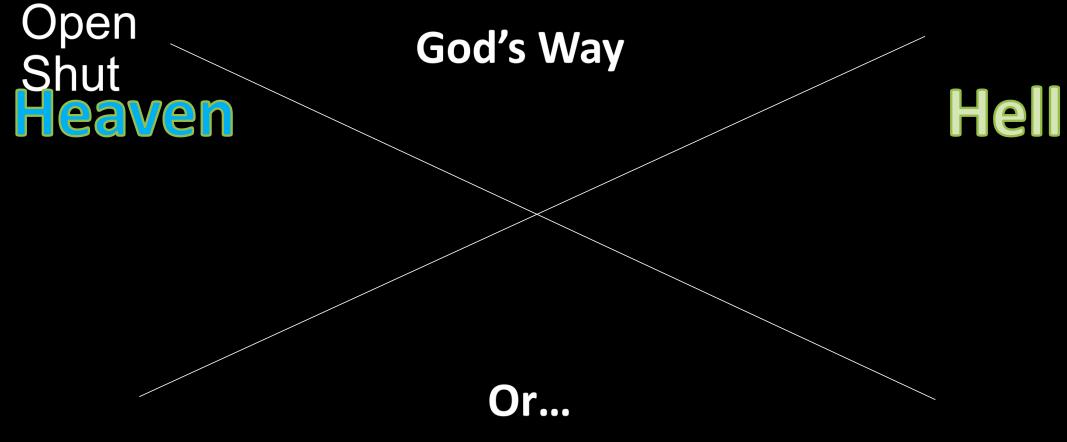


Tipping Point (10c)

Act of...

- oFaith -Do I Really Trust Him / His Word?
- oLove –What is My Motivation?
 - Religion or Relationship?
 - oPromise (10)
 - Pour Out a Blessing...
 - ...Beyond Capacity to Receive (sowing/ reaping)
 - oProtection (11)
 - Rebuke the Devour
 - ...For Your Sake (Protects the Blessing)

Tipping Point (10-12)







Haggai 1:2-11 NLT

² "This is what the LORD of Heaven's Armies says: The people are saying, 'The time has not yet come to rebuild the house of the LORD." ³ Then the LORD sent this message through the prophet Haggai: 4 "Why are you living in luxurious houses while my house lies in ruins? ⁵ This is what the LORD of Heaven's Armies says: Look at what's happening to you! ⁶ You have planted much but harvest little. You eat but are not satisfied. You drink but are still thirsty. You put on clothes but cannot keep warm. Your wages disappear as though you were putting them in pockets filled with holes! 7 "This is what the LORD of Heaven's Armies says: Look at what's happening to you! 8 Now go up into the hills, bring down timber, and rebuild my house. Then I will take pleasure in it and be honored, says the LORD. 9 You hoped for rich harvests, but they were poor. And when you brought your harvest home, I blew it away. Why? Because my house lies in ruins, says the LORD of Heaven's Armies, while all of you are busy building your own fine houses. 10 It's because of you that the heavens withhold the dew and the earth produces no crops. 11 I have called for a drought on your fields and hills a drought to wither the grain and grapes and olive trees and all your other crops, a drought to starve you and your livestock and to ruin everything you have worked so hard to get."

Tipping Point (10c-12) GOD's BLESSINGS are DI LUES

Tipping Point (10c-12)

- My House Full (Principle)
- Your House Full (Promise)
 - ...Blessing Cannot Receive

Are You...

- Just Getting By...?
- Depending On Yourself ...?
- Living in the Blessings of the Overflow?

Tipping Point (10c-12)

"Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty...

Malachi 3:10

Tipping Point (10c-12)

"Test me in this," says Malac ...To Turn Any Necessity ...Into An Opportunity

Prove Him and See!