

# GIVE TO GOD WHAT IS GOD'S

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## The Trap is set...

### Mark 12:13-17 (NIV84)

Later they sent some of the Pharisees and Herodians to Jesus to catch him in his words. 14 They came to him and said, "Teacher, we know you are a man of integrity. You aren't swayed by men, because you pay no attention to who they are; but you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. Is it right to pay taxes to Caesar or not? 15 Should we pay or shouldn't we?" But Jesus knew their hypocrisy. "Why are you trying to trap me?" he asked. "Bring me a denarius and let me look at it." 16 They brought the coin, and he asked them, "Whose portrait is this? And whose inscription?" "Caesar's," they replied. 17 Then Jesus said to them, "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's." And they were amazed at him.

## Four principles of Biblical giving...

### I. Understand \_\_\_\_\_ I should give...

1. It is the \_\_\_\_\_ thing to do.

Proverbs 3:9-10 (NIV84) "Honor the LORD with your wealth..."

2. It acknowledges \_\_\_\_\_ ownership, provision & protection.

1 Timothy 6:17 (NIV84) "Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment."

### II. Understand \_\_\_\_\_ I should give...

1. \_\_\_\_\_ church: Tithes.

1 Corinthians 9:13-14 (NIV84) Don't you know that those who work in the temple get their food from the temple, and those who serve at the altar share in what is offered on the altar? [i.e. Num. 18:24] 14 In the same way, the Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should receive their living from the gospel."

2. \_\_\_\_\_ else: Offerings.

### III. Understand \_\_\_\_\_ I should give...

1. Thank God for the \_\_\_\_\_!

2. The tithe was introduced \_\_\_\_\_ the Law.

Melchizedek: Genesis 14:18 ...Then Abram gave him a tenth of everything."  
Jacob: Genesis 28:20 .... and of all that you give me I will give you [God] a tenth.

3. The tithe was confirmed \_\_\_\_\_ the Law.

Leviticus 27:30-32 (NIV84) "A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the LORD; it is holy to the LORD."

4. The tithe was affirmed by \_\_\_\_\_.

Luke 11:42 (NIV84) Woe to you Pharisees, because you give God a tenth of your mint, rue and all other kinds of garden herbs, but you neglect justice and the love of God. You should have practiced the latter without leaving the former undone.

### IV. Understand \_\_\_\_\_ to give...

1. Give \_\_\_\_\_ under "grace."

Romans 5:15 (NIV84) How much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many!

2. Give \_\_\_\_\_ (Choose your attitude).

2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (NIV84) "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. 7 Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 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."

Acts 20:25 (NIV84) [Jesus] "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

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