## Tithe

Malachi 3:9-10 – Ye are cursed with a curse; for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. 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.

In the Bible we are taught two types of giving - tithes and offerings. In the Old Testament, the law was set that all were to bring the first fruits, one tenth of their increase, unto the priests as a tithe offering. And just as we today sometimes have problems with parting with that ten percent to God, so did many in the Old Testament. Malachi brought forth the word from the LORD for the children of Israel who had fallen away and ignored His statutes, including tithing. These were the instructions given to rectify their sins. So many of us here can witness the goodness of the Lord when we are faithful to give Him what is His. Many Christians don't trust God enough to give the tithe. God dares you to prove Him! He will bless your obedience with the true riches that cannot be bought with money. He will enable you to do more with 90% of your income after you tithe than you can do with 100% of your income after robbing God.