# Romans 12:9 (NIV)

9 Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.

# 5 Love Languages®

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The Secret to Love that Lasts

- >Words of affirmation
- >Quality time
- > Receiving gifts
- >Physical touch
- >Acts of service





# **Receiving Gifts**

Tithe=Tenth

Tithing is the biblical principle of giving a tenth of your income to the church

Genesis 14:18-20 (NIV)

18 Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. He was priest of God Most High, 19 and he blessed Abram, saying,

"Blessed be Abram by God Most High,

Creator of heaven and earth.

20 And praise be to God Most High, who delivered your enemies into your hand."

Then Abram gave him a tenth of everything.

#### Genesis 28:16-21 (NIV)

16 When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it." 17 He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven."

18 Early the next morning Jacob took the stone he had placed under his head and set it up as a pillar and poured oil on top of it. 19 He called that place Bethel, though the city used to be called Luz.

20 Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me and will watch over me on this journey I am taking and will give me food to eat and clothes to wear 21 so that I return safely to my father's household, then the Lord will be my God 22 and this stone that I have set up as a pillar will be God's house, and of all that you give me I will give you a tenth."

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**Exodus 22:29** 

Leviticus 27:30

**Numbers 18:21** 

Deuteronomy 14:22-29

Nehemiah 10: 37-38

**Malachi 3:6-12** 

#### Malachi 3:8-12 (NIV)

8 "Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob Me.

"But you ask, 'How are we robbing You?'

"In tithes and offerings. 9 You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing Me.

10 Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house. Test Me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.

11 I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe," says the Lord Almighty. 12 "Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land," says the Lord Almighty.

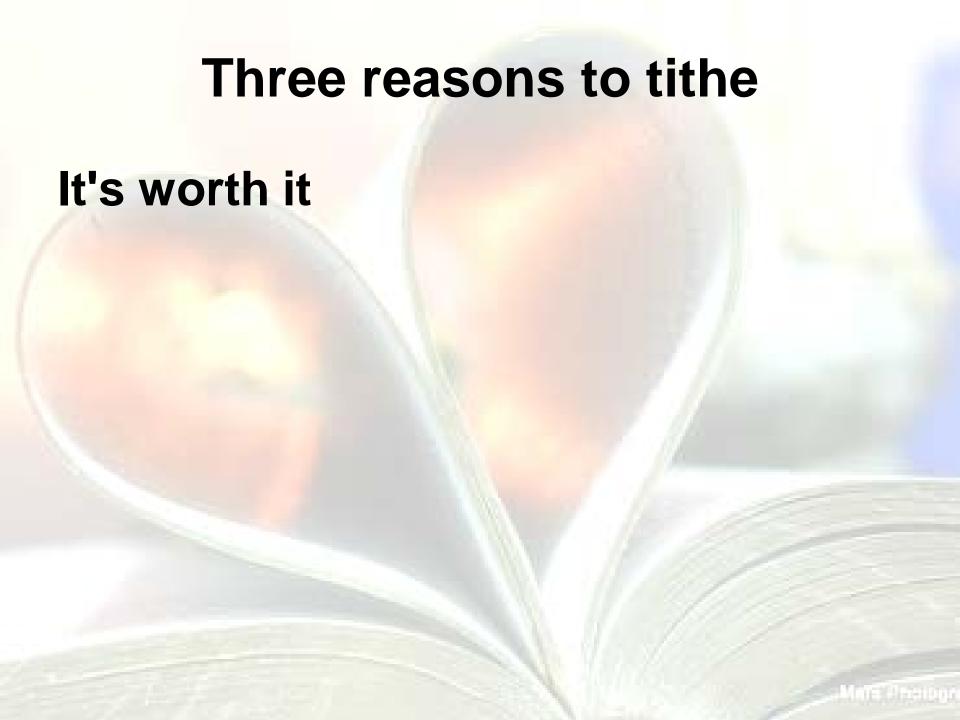
#### Three reasons to tithe

When we put God first in our finances we put God first in our heart and it feeds out to every other area of our lives

Matthew 6:21(NIV)

21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

# Three reasons to tithe I don't want to lose God's blessing







### What can we do to help?

Mid week once a month, more? Financial class (How to live debt free) **Discipleship Sunday Morning class** Small group Other?