



Sermon Excerpts:

***“Biblical Generous Grace Monetary Giving”
The First Example of Biblical Giving***

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Proverbs 3:9 “Honor the LORD with your wealth, possessions, and everything you own; give God an offering with the first and best part of all your income.”

Generous Biblical Giving based on Grace Economics is the action of people with resources and people in need to engage in the regenerative and circulatory flow of material, human, financial, and natural resources led by people of faith.

- Biblical Generous Grace Monetary Giving will strengthen the ministry, outreach, and stability of the Tabernacle of Glory congregation.
- Biblical Generous Grace Monetary Giving is not a money-raising scheme. It is a soul-growing, character-developing program.
- Biblical Generous Grace Monetary Giving is to honor God with your substance; it is worship—a concrete expression of my love to God.
- Biblical Generous Grace Monetary Giving is an external act reflecting internal conditions that we give tangibly that God may be publicly glorified.

Genesis 4:1-5 *"Now Adam had sexual relations with his wife, Eve, and she became pregnant. When she gave birth to Cain, she said, 'With the LORD's help, I have produced a son!'"*² *Later she gave birth to his brother and named him Abel. When they grew up, Abel became a shepherd, while Cain cultivated the ground. When it was time for the harvest, Cain presented some of his crops as a gift to the LORD. Abel also brought a gift—the best portions of the firstborn lambs from his flock. The LORD accepted Abel and his gift, but he did not accept Cain and his gift. This made Cain incredibly angry, and he looked dejected."*

The First Example of Biblical Giving

- The first example of biblical giving reminds me that when I honor God with my giving, I acknowledge that God is my provider.
- The first example of biblical giving reminds me that God provides me with the ability to have employment and or some form of income.

Genesis 28:20–22 *"Jacob made a vow (to God), 'If God will be with me and will watch over me...all that You give me I will give You a tenth.'"*

Exodus 35:21 *"Everyone who was willing and whose heart moved him came and brought an offering to the LORD for the work."*

Leviticus 27:30 *"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."*

Amos 4:4–5 *"Bring your sacrifices every morning, your tithes every three days; offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving of that which is leavened, and proclaim freewill offerings, publish them; for so you love to do, O people of Israel!" declares the Lord God."*

2 Chronicles 31:12 *"God's people faithfully brought in the contributions, tithes, and dedicated gifts."*

1 Chronicles 29:9 *"The people rejoiced at the willing response of their leaders, for they had given freely and wholeheartedly to the LORD. David the king also rejoiced greatly."*

Deuteronomy 8:18 *"Remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth."*

Deuteronomy 16:10 *"Celebrate the Feast of Weeks to the LORD your God by giving a freewill offering in proportion to the blessings the LORD your God has given you."*

Deuteronomy 16:16-17 *“No man should appear before the LORD empty-handed. Each of you must bring a gift in proportion to the way the LORD your God has blessed you.”*

Matthew 23:23 *“Woe to you, teachers of the law...You give a tenth...But you have neglected the more important matters—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former.”*

2 Corinthians 9:7 *“Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”*

1 Corinthians 16:2 *“On every Lord’s Day each of you should put aside something from what you have earned during the week and use it for this offering. The amount depends on how much the Lord has helped you earn.”*

Father God, You are the maker of heaven and earth. We thank You for bringing us all to Your house safely today. We are so blessed by Your presence here today. Thank You for Your love and mercy on us, Father. God, we believe in the Bible, and I pray that everyone here will look into their hearts and act in obedience to Your Word. May we give not to become richer, though, may we give because we simply love You! Please help us to be diligent savers and wise spenders. Enable us to apply biblical principles of giving so we can continue blessing others and supporting this ministry. Bless our jobs and businesses with prosperity so that we may keep earning money to support not only our families but your kingdom’s work. In the name of Jesus, Amen.