

At Bethany our desire is: to T*each* the gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ, to preach R*epentance* toward sin, to encourage U*nderstanding* in God's Word, to T*rain* our members how to share their faith, and to lovingly H*elp* our community and beyond to know the T*RUTH* that make's one free. *John 8:32*



A Series On – Who Is Telling The Truth??

1. Jesus Shares Truth That Encourages Living In Truth
2. Who Believes The Unsaved Burn Forever? Jesus Did!!
3. Once Saved Always Saved-Is It To Good To Be True? No!!
4. The Baptism Of The Spirit Do I Need To Pray For It? No!!
5. Does The Word of God Say Jesus Is Jehovah God? Yes!!
6. Worship is Optional, isn't it Pastor? No!!
7. Does God call and gift women with the Ministry of a Pastor? No!!
8. The New Covenant just adds Gentiles to the Old Covenant? No!!
9. Are Only Certain Portions of the Bible The Words of God? No!!
10. Is It True Tongues Is Not A Spiritual Gift For Today? Yes!!
11. OK, Tongues is not for today; but praying in Tongues is-right? NO
12. God Created Marriage Primarily for Procreation? NO!!!!!!!!!!

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13. Predestination is Calvinism Isn't It?? NO

14. Is Church Discipline A Legalistic Attitude?? NO

15. I must Tithe 10% at least for God to bless me, Right??

16. Can A Believer Blaspheme the Holy Spirit?

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1. Tithing is Biblical.
2. The Tithing instruction for the Church.
3. The Motivation for Tithing.

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1. Tithing is Biblical. Abraham is first example of tithing.

Genesis 14:20 And (Melchizedek king of Salem, the priest of the most high God said,) blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he (Abram) gave him tithes of all.

1. Tithing is Biblical. Israel had a strict command to Tithe.

Lev 27:30 And all the tithe of the land, *whether* of the seed of the land, *or* of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD'S: it is holy unto the LORD.

Lev 27:32 And concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock, *even* of whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the LORD.

Malachi 3:8 Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed Me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings.

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1. Tithing is Biblical. Jesus commends Tithing, but rebukes the Pharisees for not fulfilling all their Lords commands.

Luke 11:42 But woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass over judgment and the love of God: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.

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2. The Tithing instruction for the Church.

2 Corinthians 9:6 But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

7 Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, *so let him give*; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

8 And God *is* able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may abound to every good work:

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3. The Motivation for Tithing. “*Demonstration of our Love*”
Ephesians 1:3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in Heavenly *places* in Christ:

4 According as He hath chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love:

5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will,

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3. The Motivation for Tithing. “For Evangelism & Discipleship”

Philippians 4:15 Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only.

16 For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again unto my necessity.

17 Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account.

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3. The Motivation for Tithing. “Worship in Action”

Philippians 4:18 But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things *which were sent* from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God.

19 But my God shall supply all your “need” according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

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1. Tithing is Biblical. It was being done before the Law!
2. The Tithing instruction for the Church. A Joyful Giver!
3. The Motivation for Tithing. For Worship in Action!
For Evangelism & Discipleship!
For Demonstration of our Love !

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Application: NO! For every believer God's blessings are ours now through Jesus Christ and not through any amount of giving of any kind can we motivate our Lord to give us more than what we "need".

1 Timothy 6:9 But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and *into* many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.

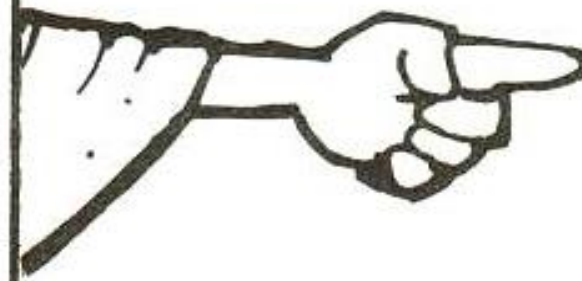
10 For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

The Purpose Of Spiritual Gifts

Romans
12:8
Giving

SPECIAL GIFTS

APOSTLES
PROPHETS
EVANGELISTS
PASTOR-
TEACHERS



to EQUIP God's people

SPEAKING GIFTS

PROPHECY
TEACHING
EXHORTATION
WORD OF WISDOM
WORD OF KNOWLEDGE

to EXPLAIN God's truth



SERVING GIFTS

SERVING
HELPS
LEADERSHIP
ADMINISTRATION
GIVING
SHOWING MERCY
DISCERNING OF SPIRITS
FAITH
HOSPITALITY



to ENABLE God's work

SIGN GIFTS

TONGUES
INTERPRETATION
of TONGUES
MIRACLES
HEALINGS

to ESTABLISH God's authority



Ceased after
Apostolic era

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Application Not the Amount but the Heart is what God sees!

Luke 21:1 And he looked up, and saw the rich men casting their gifts into the treasury.

2 And he saw also a certain poor widow casting in thither two mites.

3 And he said, Of a truth I say unto you, that this poor widow hath cast in more than they all:

4 For all these have of their abundance cast in unto the offerings of God: but she of her penury hath cast in all the living that she had.