## GENEROSITY FIRST



## EXODUS 13:11-15

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A. Tithe - The first 10% of your increase

B. Tithing is taught inside and outside Old Testament law.

- -Abraham Genesis 14:18-20
- -Jacob Genesis 28:22
- -Moses Leviticus 27:30
- -Jesus Matthew 23:23; Hebrews 7:8

C. Grace is a higher standard than the law - the cross was never about 10% but about Jesus giving 100% in His blood. God wants your entire heart. *John 3:16* 

D. Tithing is not "giving" but "returning." It belongs to God. Leviticus 27:30

**Thankfulness:** An expression of being aware, pleased, or satisfied with a received benefit

Generous: Something given in abundance, bountifully, or unselfishly

Unhealthy: When something is not working according to its design

Healthy: When something is working according to its design

Healing: The process of aligning how something functions with its design

1. Giving God your "first" must be the <u>firSt</u> thing you do. <i>Exodus 22:29</i>
2. Giving God your "first" means giving God your <u>best</u> . <i>Leviticus 22:17-19; Ephesians 5:25-27</i>
3. Giving to God "first" represents your faith in <u>MOR</u> to come. <i>1 Corinthians 15:20-23; Colossians 1:15-18</i>
4. Giving to God "first" secures a <u>blessing</u> on the rest. Romans 11:16; Proverbs 3:9-10; Malachi 3:10

5. Giving to God "first" is a <u>reminder</u> of the source of our blessings.

## Asking Jesus into your life is as easy as A-B-C

**Gospel A-B-C's** // Father, I Admit that I am a sinner and that my sin has brought death and destruction into my life, my relationships with people, and my relationship with God. *Romans 3:23, 6:23* 

I Believe that Jesus died for my sins and that His death paid the penalty for my sins. Romans 5:8

I Confess or agree that Jesus is Lord, that He died and rose from the dead, and is able to forgive me of my sins. *Romans 10:9-10* 

Jesus, I trust that You love me and can hear my prayer. By faith, I ask You to please forgive me and fill me with the Holy Spirit. I surrender my life to You. I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

If you understood that prayer and prayed to accept Jesus' invitation into a relationship, text "SAVED" to 52525.