

Lecture Outline 6: *Stewardship*

Introduction

Tithing in the Old Testament

Tithing in the New Testament

Tithing Today

Conclusions

Discussion 6: *Stewardship*

Questions from the Lecture

1. How do Psalm 24:1 and Colossians 1:15-17 help us grasp what is taking place in tithing?
2. After looking at Genesis 14:17-20, can we say that tithing is simply something that is a ceremonial law of the Old Testament that has been fulfilled in Christ? Why, or why not?
3. How can we reconcile 2 Corinthians 9:7 to a passage like Matthew 23:23. How do Acts 4:34-35 or 2 Corinthians 8:1-4 give us some clarity on how to understand the freewill offering statements?
4. What do you think the central significance of stewardship is in your growth in grace?

Questions from the Reading

1. In the account of Cain slaying his brother Abel, the main point of contention is not about animal versus grain offering. What is the main issue in Cain's life, and how do we know this to be true?
2. How does Psalm 24:1 help us have a proper starting point when it comes to the issue of stewardship? What is a steward and how does that relate to our giving?
3. As basic as this question may seem, what is a *tithe* and how is that established in our giving to the church? Look at Malachi 3:8-10 and see how God views the neglect of the tithe.
4. Does the tithe still apply in the New Testament church? Dr. Sproul gives three examples of where you can tithe. Which do you think is proper? Why?
5. Take a moment and summarize how God communicates grace and growth through each of the 5 disciplines we have discussed.