

WHITES RUN BAPTIST CHURCH

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Announcements

- **Eliza Broadus Offering** for Kentucky state missions is currently under way. Prayerfully consider how you will help support missions in Kentucky.
- **Sunday Nights @ 6:00** "What in the World Is Going On?" Join us to understand what is going on in the world and how the church can not only survive, but thrive.
- **Food Pantry:** Don't forget to bring donations for the food pantry. A tote in the foyer is available to drop them off.

Give and Take Acts 4:32-5:11

The Giving

- The urge to give is a reminder of our situation.
 - That there is scarcity reminds us that we live in a fallen world, cursed by sin.
 - That we desire to do something about it reminds us that the law of God is written on our hearts.
 - That we struggle whenever we try to do something about it reminds us that each of us is corrupted by sin.

The sharing was:

- A free sharing of personal property with others in need.
- Voluntary, not compelled by a governing authority.
- Not an abolition of private property.
- Generous.
- Limited to the context of the believers.

This sharing fulfilled:

- The biblical ideal of a people without poor among them. Deuteronomy 15:4-11.

- Jesus' command to love one another. John 13:34-35.
- Jesus' promise to provide for the needs of His people. Matthew 6:25-34; Mark 10:29-30.
- Jesus' redefinition of the family as the people of God. Matthew 12:46-50.

But what about tithing? (Giving our first 10%)

- Tithing precedes the law. Genesis 14:20.
- The New Testament never tells us to stop tithing as it does with circumcision. Luke 11:42.
- Tithing is still an exercise of faith. Malachi 3:6-12.
- Tithing should be a starting point for a Christian.
- Christians should give generously and cheerfully toward the needs of others and the work of the ministry. 2 Corinthians 9.

The Taking

- Their crime seemed to be ...
 - Lying to God (the Holy Spirit), thus putting him to the test.
 - An act of insincere worship. See Matthew 6:1-24.
- God often makes examples of "first-offenders" to show His holiness. See Nadab and Abihu in Leviticus 10:1-2; Achan in Joshua 7:1-26; and Uzzah in 2 Samuel 6:1-11. Each was an act of worship.

Encouragements

- Observe Christ's provision and love for His body, the church.
- Examine your own motives in your service to the Body of Christ.
- Make your needs known to the church.
- Pray for cheerful generosity.

Notes:

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