

# Why Did God Make Us Rich?

## How To Be Rich #3

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Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed... You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

2 Corinthians 9:10-11

1. God Made You Rich So That You Could Be \_\_\_\_\_ On Every Occasion, Resulting In \_\_\_\_\_ To God.
2. God's Plan Is That You Become An \_\_\_\_\_.

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7

Scriptures and points from video

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.

Leviticus 27:30

Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house.

Malachi 3:10

- Tithing teaches me to put God first.

The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in your lives.

Deuteronomy 14:23 LB

- Tithing increases my faith in God.

"Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."

Malachi 3:10

Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts.

But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a fraction of a penny.

Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on." Mark 12:41-43

- ❑ I want to be intentional and generous in my giving to God. I will give \_\_\_\_%. I believe I will "be made rich in every way so that I can be generous on every occasion" (2 Corinthians 9:11).
- ❑ I will test God by tithing for 90 days. I believe He will "open the windows of heaven for me and pour me out a blessing" (Malachi 3:10).

Bring all the tithes (the whole tenth of your income) into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and prove Me now by it, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

Malachi 3:10 (Amp)

### KEY LESSON

God has blessed us with more than we need. We are rich. But we will not trust in our riches, but in Him who richly provides. Because we have more, we will give more.

\*All scriptures from TNIV unless otherwise noted