

# All In Part 3 – Honor (Tithing) Pastor Joseph Zwanziger 11.13.2022

#### **USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to discuss the weekend message.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together. Give priority to the needs and pace of your group members.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships. Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

#### "Honor is the gravity of the kingdom"

Larry Stocktill

#### [1 Peter 2:17, ESV]

Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

Christianity is held together by honor; everything we do is about honor.

## [Exodus 20:12, ESV]

"Honor your father and your mother."

#### [1 Peter 3:15, ESV]

"Honor Christ the Lord as holy."

#### [Revelation 4:11, ESV]

"Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

#### Honor is the only thing that makes giving to God work.

#### [Proverbs 3:9–10, ESV]

Honor the Lord **with your wealth** and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

#### [Matthew 6:21, ESV]

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

#### God wants your heart, not your money.

## Giving without honor = penance, obligation, reluctance. Honor that expresses itself in giving = worship.

### Tithe = the "first-fruits" of your income

= *tebuah*: gain, income, i.e. what is valuable

*Tithe = 10%* 

#### [Deuteronomy 14:22, ESV]

"You shall tithe all the yield of your seed that comes from the field year by year."

#### "Tithe" = asar = give a tenth

#### [Malachi 3:10, ESV]

Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.

# So, the tithe goes to the church where God has placed you, and where you're being "fed" spiritual food.

#### [Proverbs 23:5, NKJV]

Will you set your eyes on that which is not? For riches certainly make themselves wings; They fly away like an eagle toward heaven.

#### "Honor Him with the first and best and He'll bless the rest."

Robert Morris, "The Blessed Life"

# There are areas you will never know God fully until you trust Him with your finances.

- 1. 90-day Tithe Challenge
- 2. Come back to honor... fall in LOVE again

#### FOR MONDAY—

- 1. Practice tangible generosity this week, reinforcing that the Lord has your heart.
- 2. This week take your next step by signing up and participating in the 90-Day Tithe Challenge by visiting <a href="https://www.tfh.org/thithechallenge">www.tfh.org/thithechallenge</a>

#### TALK IT THROUGH

- 1. What are some ways that you show gratitude to those around you? What are the most enjoyable practices for you personally?
- 2. How does giving tie in with being ALL IN with following Jesus? Why do we honor God with our wealth?
- 3. How does a person's affections or heart connect with how they spend their money?
- 4. Why do you think honoring God with our finances has to come first? What impact do finances have on our affections and emotions?
- 5. When have you experienced the blessing of God as a byproduct of faithful giving?
- 6. How is the tithe described in the Bible? Why do you think God says we can test him in this area, according to Malachi 3?
- 7. Where do finances play into our faith as a part of fully knowing God? Do you think you can experience God to the greatest measure relationally without it?
- 8. What Holy Spirit-led action do you, or your family, need to practice this week as a response to this teaching on honor?
- 9. What do you think of the quote from Larry Stockstill: "Honor is the gravity of the Kingdom."? How is it foundational for our relationship with God before even our behavior?