



## “Solving Your Financial Worries”

**Psalm 24:1-2, 50:12; Job 41:11; Deuteronomy 10:14; Exodus 19:5; Haggai 2:8**

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For this morning’s sermon, I have chosen six different verses from five books of the Old Testament to assist you in solving your financial worries. God has THE ANSWER to make you successful and victorious during these stark economic times. This message will not be anything that you have never heard before, but possibly, like the children of Israel you may listen and heed (act upon) God’s plan for your economic future this time.

Financial worries seem to plague us all!! In these recessionary times, nearly every one of us is engaged in a constant struggle to make ends meet. Financial worries bear us down—rob us of real happiness and joy. Spiraling gas prices, mortgage foreclosures, massive layoffs, company downsizing, metropolitan cities drowning in red ink, food and clothing costs unimaginable and the negative conditions, which we face, continue on all fronts.

I cannot resolve your current economic challenges, but God promises you that if you read what He has left for us to do that you will be just fine.

### **I. What Most People Do Not Know**

The money you earn does not belong to you. It is not yours!! There are two prior claims on your income before it becomes yours—taxes are one. However, the first is God’s claim. God the Creator, ruler of the universe claims it all. Even the air you breathe belongs to God. You did not earn it! You did not produce it! Therefore, God’s claim to all you have is valid. Read and Study Psalm 24:1-2; 1 Corinthians 10:26; Job 41:11; Deuteronomy 10:14; Exodus 19:5; Psalm 50:10-12 and Haggai 2:8. Then admit your income belongs to God and it belongs to Him. This is the first step to solving your financial worries. “DON’T BE A CLAIM JUMPER.”

### **II. God’s Law Regulates Your Income**

God is a God of love. He knows your need in this time of recession. God is concerned about YOU. He has your welfare in mind. He has designed an economic map/strategy to end your economic worries. And He only asks for ONE TENTH back. Point number two for acquiring freedom from financial worries is to realize and accept that until you give God His tenth; the other nine-tenths DO NOT become yours legally. DO NOT ARGUE WITH ME—TAKE IT UP WITH GOD!!

### **III. The Curses and Blessings**

The world and maybe even you are under a financial curse because we have robbed God of His money and His wealth. Economic chaos, no real peace, and life seem empty and fruitless. Obedience to God’s simple laws brings blessings. When we violate His laws we bring curses upon ourselves.

### **IV. How To Have More**

The law of tithing has always been in force and effective. 400 years before Moses, Abraham tithed. In Hebrew 7, we learn the law of tithing was not abolished, but changed to honor Jesus Christ. When you pay tithes, you are not giving God anything. The tithe belongs to God. Read and study Malachi 3:8-9 and understand when you don’t rob God, He promises to “put out a blessing which you cannot contain.”

### **V. How Can You Prosper In Inflation**

Malachi 3:10 is God’s promise!! Why don’t you put God to the test. Pay Him His tenth and watch God increase the value of His tenth and your tenths. That’s the way to get bills paid, get out of burdensome debt and to be free of financial worries.

### **VI. A Spiritual Blessing**

Tithing is a financial law. The greatest blessing of all is a spiritual blessing. TO SOLVE YOUR FINANCIAL WORRIES DURING THESE CHALLENGING ECONOMIC TIMES, TRY GOD’S PROVEN SUCCESS PLAN—TITHE!!

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