

## DECISIONS OF FAITH

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### **Deuteronomy 8:18 (NIV)**

But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth...

### **Deuteronomy 14:23 (TLB)**

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

### **Deuteronomy 16:17 (NIV)**

Each of you must bring a gift in proportion to the way the LORD your God has blessed you.

### **Proverbs 3:9 (NIV)**

Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops

### **Malachi 3:8-10 (NIV)**

<sup>[8]</sup> "Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me. "But you ask, 'How do we rob you?' "In tithes and offerings.

<sup>[9]</sup> You are under a curse--the whole nation of you--because you are robbing me.

<sup>[10]</sup> Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. 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 you will not have room enough for it."

### **Matthew 6:20-21 (NIV)**

<sup>[20]</sup> But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.

<sup>[21]</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

### **1 Corinthians 9:7-12 (NIV)**

<sup>[7]</sup> Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat of its grapes? Who tends a flock and does not drink of the milk?

<sup>[8]</sup> Do I say this merely from a human point of view? Doesn't the Law say the same thing?

<sup>[9]</sup> For it is written in the Law of Moses: "Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain." Is it about oxen that God is concerned?

<sup>[10]</sup> Surely he says this for us, doesn't he? Yes, this was written for us, because when the plowman plows and the thresher threshes, they ought to do so in the hope of sharing in the harvest.

<sup>[11]</sup> If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap a material harvest from you?

<sup>[12]</sup> If others have this right of support from you, shouldn't we have it all the more? But we did not use this right. On the contrary, we put up with anything rather than hinder the gospel of Christ.

### **1 Corinthians 16:2 (NIV)**

On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income...

### **2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (NIV)**

<sup>[6]</sup> Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.

<sup>[7]</sup> Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

<sup>[8]</sup> And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

### **1 Timothy 6:17-19 (NIV)**

<sup>[17]</sup> Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.

<sup>[18]</sup> Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share.

<sup>[19]</sup> In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

### **John 14:15 (NIV)**

"If you love me, you will obey what I command. "

### **James 2:17 (NIV)**

<sup>17</sup> In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.