

Giving

Lesson Three Student

“Fully Surrendered” (in Finances)

Matthew 12: 30 *“He that is not with me is against me.”*

Wycliffe Bible Commentary - **In the conflict with Satan, neutrality is impossible.**”

- **You can not be on both sides....being neutral is IMPOSSIBLE!**
- When you surrender, you are coming out and saying “I am hiding _____, and I FULLY SURRENDER EVERYTHING.”

II Kings 5:1-13 “Now Naaman, **captain of the host** of the king of Syria, was a **great man** with his master, and **honourable**, because by him the LORD had given deliverance unto Syria: he was also a **mighty man in valour**, but he was a leper. 2 And the Syrians had gone out by companies, and had brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid; and she waited on Naaman's wife. 3 And she said unto her mistress, Would God my lord were with the prophet that is in Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy.

4 And one went in, and told his lord, saying, Thus and thus said the maid that is of the land of Israel. 5 And the king of Syria said, Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel. And he departed, and took with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand pieces of gold, and ten changes of raiment. 6 And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, saying, Now when this letter is come unto thee, behold, I have therewith sent Naaman my servant to thee, that thou mayest recover him of his leprosy.

7 And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes, and said, Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover a man of his leprosy? wherefore consider, I pray you, and see how he seeketh a quarrel against me.

8 And it was so, when Elisha the man of God had heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel. 9 So Naman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the door of the house of Elisha. 10 And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean.



11 But Naman was wroth, and went away, and said, Behold, I thought, He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the LORD his God, and strike his hand over the place, and recover the leper. 12 Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? may I not wash in them, and be clean? So he turned and went away in a rage. 13 And his servants came near, and spake unto him, and said, My father, if the prophet had bid thee do some great thing, wouldest thou not have done it? how much rather then, when he saith to thee, Wash, and be clean?

14 Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean."

- **REMEMBER THERE IS NO _____ GROUND IN SURRENDERING.**
- Your money is either surrendered to God or the Devil.
- Whatever excuse you have for not doing what the Lord has asked you to do, only means you haven't given Him your all!
- **Other words, when he becomes Lord over everything - then you are fully surrendered!**
- Giving in our tithes in offering is not an option! There is NO neutral ground on this.
- This is LIFE or Death spiritually. (Yes, this is heaven and hell)

What are we commanded to give?

Malachi 3:6 - 12 (tithes and offering) 10% "For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed. 7 Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them. Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the LORD of hosts. But ye said, Wherein shall we return? 8 Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. 9 Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. 10 **Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. 11 And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts. 12 And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts."**

Tithing is:



1. Mathematically – it is a _____ (Genesis 28:22, Leviticus 27:30)
2. Scripturally – it is a law (Deuteronomy 12:6, 14:22)
3. Morally – It is a _____ (Malachi 3:8)
4. Economically – it is an investment (Matthew 6:20, Luke 6:38)
5. Spiritually – it is a _____ (Malachi 3:10, Galatians 3:9)

Proverbs 3:5-9 *“Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. 6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. 7 Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil. 8 It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones. 9 Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:”*

We pay our tithes on our GROSS income

- Our tithes are all the same in the eyes of God. 10% is 10% no matter what you make.
- **But it is in our offerings that God begins to measure.**

Luke 6:38 TLB

“For if you give, you will get! Your gift will return to you in full and overflowing measure, pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, and running over. Whatever measure you use to give-large or small-will be used to measure what is given back to you.”

Simplified Giving Plan at FAITH:

1. Tithes (10%)
2. Offering (5%)
3. Missions (November)
4. Building (May)

Forum Semester 2 Questionnaire

Name: _____



Multiple choice: For each question choose the best possible answer.

The 3-Fold Purpose of Man

- _____ 1. What is the 3-fold purpose of man?
- a. To know God, to be like God, to please God
 - b. Pray everyday, sing out loud, to please God
 - c. To be like God, to please God, pray continually
 - d. To be filled with the holy Ghost, to fast weekly, to know God
- _____ 2. _____ gives us access to God's power
- a. Attending church every Sunday
 - b. Calling the pastor regularly
 - c. Prayer
 - d. Loving others
- _____ 3. To be like God we must have _____.
- a. His conditional love
 - b. A ministry
 - c. His unconditional love
 - d. Things to say to everyone
- _____ 4. We must be like Enoch and _____.
- a. Please our family
 - b. Please everyone
 - c. Please God
 - d. Please our friends in the church
- _____ 5. To please God we must renew our minds _____ to think like Him.
- a. Every other day
 - b. Only when we sin
 - c. Every day
 - d. When every we remember



Five Fold Agenda of God & Satan

- _____ 6. What does it take to think like God?
- a. You must have knowledge of the Word of God
 - b. You must use your own reasoning
 - c. You must be led by the Spirit of God.
 - d. Both a and c
- _____ 7. You can't know the things of God without...
- a. a college degree
 - b. the family of God
 - c. the Spirit of God
 - d. super-human intellect
- _____ 8. According to Proverbs 18:21, "Death and life are in the power of ..."
- a. the heart
 - b. the tongue
 - c. the mind
 - d. your strength
- _____ 9. 1 Corinthians 2:14 says, "But the natural man receives not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are..."
- a. unknown to him
 - b. spiritually discerned
 - c. interpreted by God only
 - d. judged by no man
- _____ 10. When we act like God
- a. everyone will appreciate it
 - b. it will always be easy
 - c. we demonstrate the fruit of the spirit
 - d. life will be without bumps
- _____ 12. Galatians 6:9 explains the last agenda. It says, "And let us not lose _____ heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time _____..."
- a. we will jump for joy
 - b. we will continue
 - c. we will finish the race
 - d. we will reap



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- _____ 13. According to 1 Timothy 6:10, what is the root of all evil?
- Money
 - Possessions
 - The Love of Money
 - Pride
- _____ 14. God sees two things that are inseparable; we can not divorce the two.
- Faith and Food
 - Faith and Finances
 - Faith and Sports
 - Faith and Doubt
- _____ 15. Mathematically, tithing is a _____.
- Fifth
 - Tenth of net income
 - Tenth of gross income
 - Tenth of the amount remaining after bills are paid
- _____ 16. Which of the following is an incorrect statement about tithing?
- Scripturally it is not a law
 - Morally it is a debt to God
 - Economically it is an investment
 - Spiritually it is a blessing
- _____ 17. *True or False:* Offering means the same thing as tithes.

Forum: Semester 2

3-Fold Purpose of Man

Why am I here? What is the reason I was born? This class will explain the 3-fold purpose for which you were created. This class is adapted from the teachings of Dr. Gerald Jeffers and confirms the relationship foundation for your walk with God

Prerequisites:



- Completed Semester 1
 - Received the Holy Ghost and baptized in Jesus' name
- Length:
- 3 Classes: Tuesdays
 - Make-up class for if a session is missed. (See instructor)
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The 5-fold Agenda

Both God and Satan have an agenda for your life - and it's up to you whose agenda you will live! The life agenda that you choose is summed up in this series of classes adapted from the teachings of Dr. Gerald Jeffers. This class will set the tone for your life journey with Christ.

Prerequisites:

- Actively enrolled in a Home Bible Study
- Completed Apostolic Introduction

Length:

- 3 Classes
- Make-up class for if a session is missed. (See Instructor)
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Giving...how can I give back to God and His Kingdom? How can I impart back to the One who has imparted so much into me? This class will discuss how you can give out of the abundance of your heart in both your finances, resources, time and talents.

Prerequisites:

- Completed Christian Maturity
- Completed 3-Fold Purpose of Man

Length:

- 3 Classes
 - Make-up class for if a session is missed. (See instructor)
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Conclusion of Semester 2

Leader Pledge

Please initial and/or check

_____ I pledge to pursue God's 3-Fold purpose for my life:

- To know Him
- To be like Him



- To please Him

_____ I pledge to daily make the effort to:

- Take on God's character (love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance)
- Desire to be like Him above all anything else in this world
- To serve others in love, through generosity and kindness

_____ I pledge to recognize and acknowledge God first in every decision I make.

_____ I pledge to surrender my way of thinking and put on the mind of Christ.

_____ I pledge to daily make the effort to

- Think like God
- Perceive like God
- Talk like God
- Act like God
- Because I intend to reap God's harvest in my life!

_____ I pledge to fully surrender my life to God and trust Him by obeying His word. I will live out my faith by fully surrendering my finances to Him.

_____ I pledge to give the Lord my best by tithing 10% on my first fruits (gross income).

_____ I pledge to be sensitive to the God's voice in lovingly giving free-will offerings to Him. In doing so, I will align my family for blessings from heaven. I will pursue the following giving points: Offering, Missions, Building.

Signed _____

Print Name _____

Date _____

