

Coming to God With a Full Measure of Devotion

A close-up photograph of a person's hands holding a large, golden sheaf of wheat. The hands are positioned to hold the sheaf from both sides, with fingers visible gripping the stalks. The wheat is a vibrant golden-yellow color, and the background is a soft, out-of-focus yellow, suggesting a field of wheat. The overall lighting is warm and natural, highlighting the texture of the wheat and the skin of the hands.

Malachi 3:6-10



Robbing God?



Will anyone rob God?

Yet you are robbing me!

But you say, "How are we robbing you?"

In your tithes and offerings!

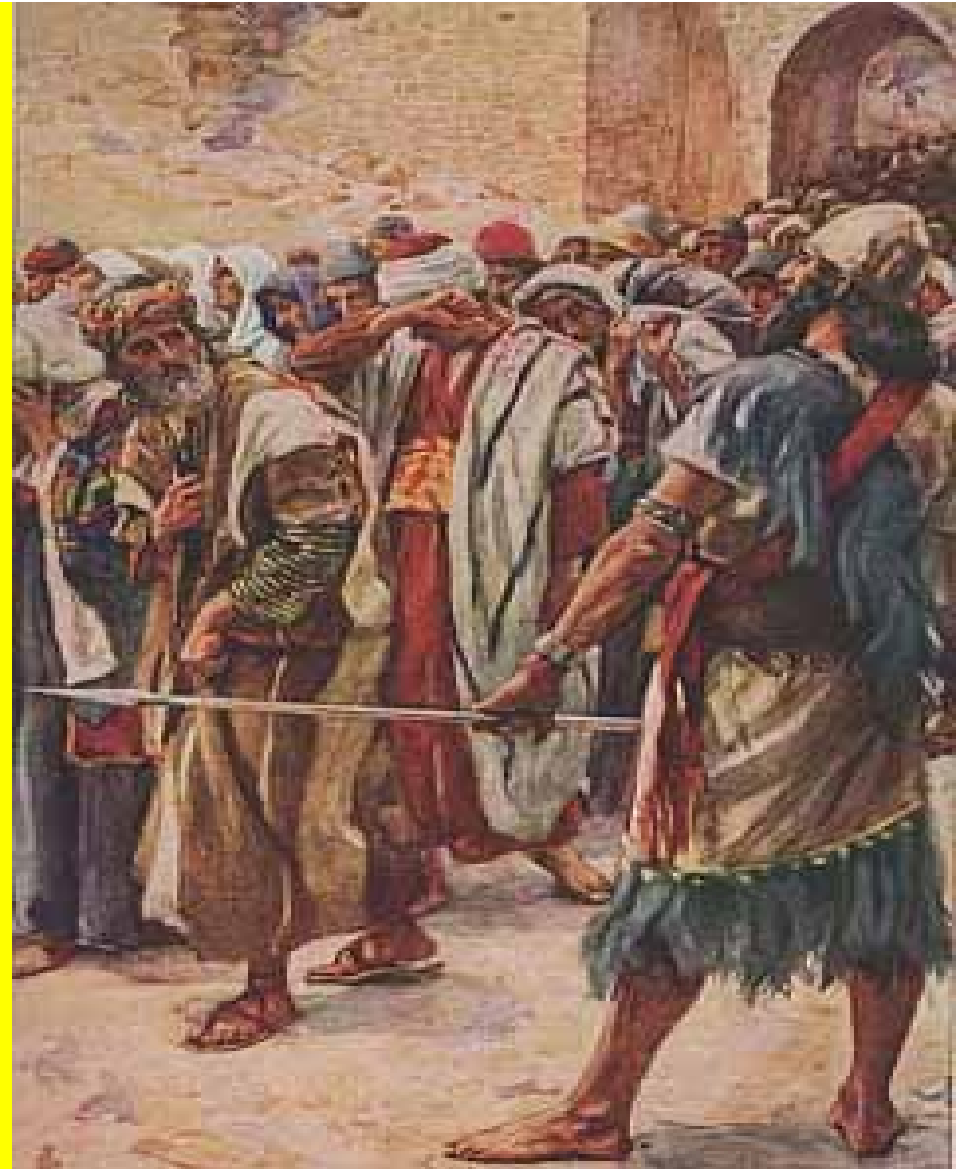
Malachi 3:8 ^{NRS}

**The refusal to bring tithes
and offerings to the
Lord's church is sin.**

A Curse

**You are cursed
with a curse, for
you are robbing
me-- the whole
nation of you!** ^{NRS}

Malachi 3:9



**Hebrews Exiled To
Babylon**





No single area of life says more about the condition of a person's heart toward God than the area of tithes and offerings.



A Command and a Blessing

Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.^{NRS}

Malachi 3:10

Hebrew Response

Then those who revered the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD took note and listened, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who revered the LORD and thought on his name. ^{NRS} Malachi 3:16

**WHAT
ABOUT
US?**



**How
might
we be
robbing
God?**



**In what
way is our
devotion
to the
Lord not
full?**



**Then those who revered
the LORD spoke with one
another. The LORD took
note and listened...**

What will the Lord hear from us this morning as we speak to one another about our stewardship intentions ; our tithes and offerings, and the fullness of our devotion?

PLEDGE CARDS

**Let Us
Pray**

