



- Our giving reflects the _____ in our heart for God.
- Our giving matters to God because **we** matter to God. He _____ about our relationship with Him.

Giving _____ the Law of Moses

- The first thing Noah did after he left the ark was to build an altar, and he made an offering unto the Lord. Genesis 8:20-21
- Did Noah's giving matter to God? It so moved the heart of God that God made a _____ to never send a catastrophic judgment like the flood ever again.
- Even before there was any written Word, there was something in the heart of believers that _____ to give to God.

Giving _____ the Law of Moses

- The first Scripture from God ever to be written down was called the Law of Moses. This was a covenant between God and His people, Israel. It consisted of numerous _____ and regulations, many of which dealt with the area of giving.
- Did Israel's giving matter to God?
- *"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? Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me... But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation."* **Malachi 3:7-9**

Giving during Christ's _____ ministry

- *"And he called unto him his disciples, and saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury: For all they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living." Mark 12:43-44*
- Did this poor widow's giving matter to Christ? It truly touched His _____ because she **sacrificed** in order to give to God.

Giving in the dispensation of _____

- Giving is the natural and _____ response of a person that has experienced God's amazing grace.
- Does our giving matter to God today? Does He _____ when we make sacrifices and give?
- *"Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only. For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again unto my necessity... But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God." Philippians 4:15-16, 18*