

An aerial photograph of a city skyline, likely Chicago, with a blue color overlay. The text "HONORABLE FINANCES" is centered in white, bold, sans-serif font, flanked by two horizontal white lines.

HONORABLE FINANCES

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⁹Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; ¹⁰then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.

Proverbs 3:9-10

The Key to Spiritual Prosperity is Found in the Principles of Faith and Honor.

⁶“For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. ⁷From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you, says the Lord of hosts. But you say, ‘How shall we return?’ ⁸Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me. But you say, ‘How have we robbed you?’ In your tithes and contributions. ⁹You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me, the whole nation of you.

Malachi 3:6-12

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¹⁰Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need. ¹¹I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of your soil, and your vine in the field shall not fail to bear, says the Lord of hosts. ¹²Then all nations will call you blessed, for you will be a land of delight, says the Lord of hosts.

Malachi 3:6-12

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The Attitude of Giving

Honor the Lord with your wealth...

Proverbs 3:9

The Attitude of Giving

Honor means: Weighty, glorious; to raise to distinction in words and actions; to worship; to adore.

The Attitude of Giving

It is possible to be obedient or to be in compliance to someone but not really honor them.

The Attitude of Giving

When it comes to finances, to honor the Lord is to acknowledge the weighty and glorious role that God has played in providing for us.

The Attitude of Giving

²⁵I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread. ²⁶They are always generous and lend freely; their children will be a blessing.

Psalm 37:25-26

The Act of Giving

Honor the Lord with your wealth, **with the firstfruits of all your crops...**

Proverbs 3:9

The Act of Giving

Firstfruits means: the beginning and best of your crops.

The Act of Giving

Firstfruits does NOT mean *Last Fruits* or *My Fruits*.

The Act of Giving

The Bible Explains 3 Levels of Giving:

1. Tithing (Leviticus 27:30, Luke 11:42)
2. Offerings (Malachi 3:9-12)
3. Extravagant offerings (Luke 21:1-4, Matthew 26:6-13)

The Promise of Giving

...**then** your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.

Proverbs 3:10

The Promise of Giving

¹⁰“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 there will not be room enough to store it.

Malachi 3:10-12

The Promise of Giving

¹¹I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe,” says the Lord Almighty. ¹²“Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land,” says the Lord Almighty.”

Malachi 3:10-12

The Promise of Giving

Honoring the Lord with Your Wealth Leads to
Blessing.

“And see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.”

Malachi 3:10

The Promise of Giving

Honoring the Lord with Your Wealth Leads to
Protection.

“I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe,” says the LORD Almighty.

Malachi 3:11

The Promise of Giving

Honoring the Lord with Your Wealth Leads to **Fruitfulness.**

“Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land,” says the LORD Almighty.

Malachi 3:12

But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

2 Corinthians 8:7