## Mind Your Own Business



## Message 3 - Profit Sharing

A <u>tithe of everything</u> from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, <u>belongs to the LORD</u>; it is holy to the LORD. Leviticus 27:30 (NIV2011)

Tithe = a \_\_\_\_\_

- Average Christian gives about \_\_% of their income.
- Fewer than \_\_% of Christians tithe.

## **Two Kinds of Businesses**

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ Business

You people are <u>robbing</u> me, your God. And, here you are, asking, "How are we <u>robbing</u> you?" <u>You are</u> <u>robbing me</u> of the offerings and of the ten percent that belongs to me. That's why your whole nation is <u>under a</u> <u>curse</u>. Malachi 3:8-9 (CEV)

Rob = defraud, rob, spoil, embezzle

If I don't tithe, I'm \_\_\_\_\_ from God.

You have planted much but <u>harvest little</u>. You eat but are <u>not satisfied</u>. You drink but are <u>still thirsty</u>. You put on clothes but <u>cannot keep warm</u>. Your wages disappear as though you were putting them in <u>pockets</u> <u>filled with holes</u>! Haggai 1:6 (NLT) 2. The \_\_\_\_\_ Business

Your crops will be abundant, for I will guard them from insects and disease... says the LORD of Heaven's Armies. Then all nations will call you <u>blessed</u>, for your land will be such a delight, Malachi 3:11-12 (NLT)

90% with God's \_\_\_\_\_ is far \_\_\_\_\_
than 100% without it.

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. Malachi 3:10 (NRSV)

The Tithe is the \_\_\_\_\_ Point!

For you are careful to tithe even the tiniest income from your herb gardens, but you ignore the more important aspects of the law - justice, mercy, and faith. <u>You should</u> <u>tithe</u>, yes, but do not neglect the more important things. Matthew 23:23b (NLT)

## My Next Step Today Is To...

- Give my life to Jesus.
- Take the 3 month Tithe Challenge.
- Ask God to guide me as I take steps to be more generous with the resources He has intrusted to me.
- Meditate on and/or memorize Leviticus 27:30