A wide-angle photograph of a golden wheat field under a clear sky, with dark mountains visible in the distance. A semi-transparent circular graphic is centered over the image, containing text.

THE HABIT OF
TITHING
GIVING BACK TO GOD

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DEUTERONOMY 14:23 (TLB)

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2 CORINTHIANS 8:7 (NIV)

Since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness . . . see that you also excel in **this grace of giving.**

A close-up photograph of a field of golden wheat stalks, with a blurred background of mountains under a cloudy sky. The text is overlaid on the center of the image.

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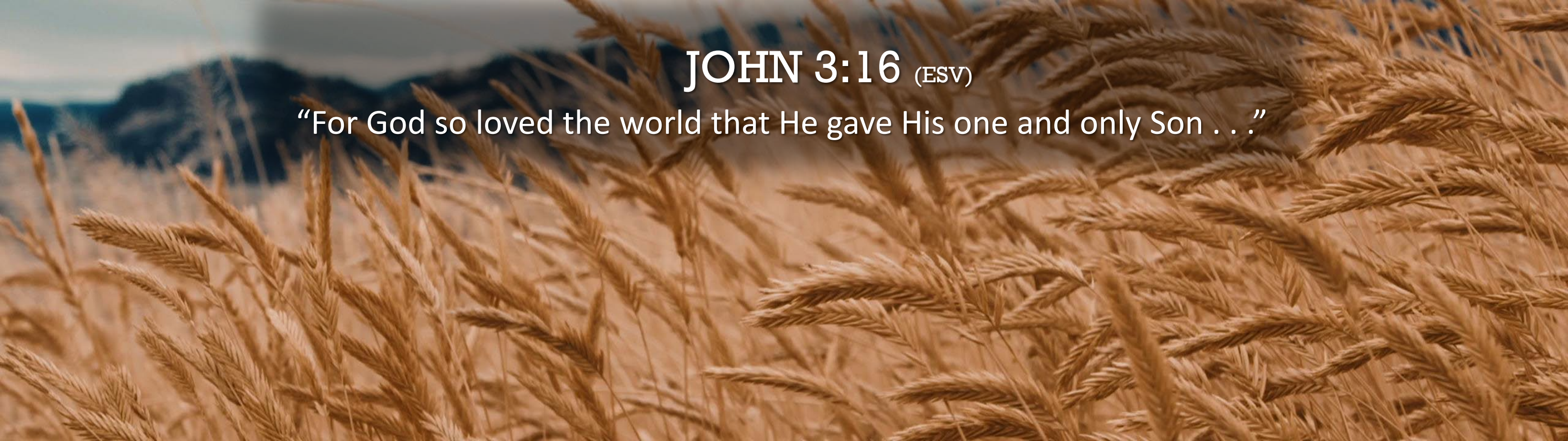
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1. Giving makes me MORE LIKE GOD.

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JOHN 3:16 (ESV)

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2. Giving draws me CLOSER TO GOD.

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MATTHEW 6:21 (ESV)

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

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3. Giving is the antidote to MATERIALISM.

1 TIMOTHY 6:17-19 (NIV)

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with **everything for our enjoyment.** Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way . . . they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

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4. Giving strengthens MY FAITH.


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PROVERBS 3:5 (ESV)

Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.

PROVERBS 3:9-10 (TLB)

Honor the Lord by giving Him the **first part** of all your income,
and He will fill your barns with wheat and barley and
overflow your wine vats with the finest wines.

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LUKE 6:38 (ESV)

“give, and it will be given to you... For with the measure
you use it will be measured back to you.”

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5. Giving is an investment in ETERNITY.

1 TIMOTHY 6:18-19 (TLB)

Tell them to . . . give happily to those in need, always being ready to share with others whatever God has given them. By doing this they will be storing up real treasure **for themselves** in heaven—it is the only safe investment for eternity!

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6. Giving blesses me IN RETURN.

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PROVERBS 22:9 (NIV)

A generous man will himself be blessed.

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PROVERBS 11:25 (NIV)

A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed.

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7. Giving makes ME HAPPY.

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ACTS 20:35 (ESV)

“It is more blessed to give than to receive.”

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1 CHRONICLES 29:9 (NIV)

The people rejoiced . . . for they had given freely
and wholeheartedly to the LORD.

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Tithing means “a TENTH part.”



“WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN
A ‘TITHE’ AND AN ‘OFFERING’?”

A “tithe” is giving the FIRST 10% of my income.

An “offering” is anything I give IN ADDITION to my tithe.

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1. Because God COMMANDS IT.

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LEVITICUS 27:30 (CEV)

“Ten percent of everything you harvest
is holy and belongs to Me.”

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2. Because Jesus COMMENDS IT.

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MATTHEW 23:23 (TLB)

“Yes, you should tithe, but you shouldn’t leave the more important things undone.”


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3. Tithing demonstrates that God has FIRST PLACE IN MY LIFE.

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4. Tithing reminds me that FEVERYTHING I HAVE
was given to me by God!

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DEUTERONOMY 8:18 (NIV)

But remember the LORD your God, for it is He who gives you the ability to produce wealth . . .

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5. Tithing expresses my GRATITUDE TO GOD.

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DEUTERONOMY 16:7 (NIV)

Each of you must bring a gift in proportion to the way the LORD your God has blessed you.


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6. God says that refusing to tithe is STEALING from Him.

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MALACHI 3:8, 10 (NIV)

“Will a man rob God? Yet you rob Me. But you ask, ‘How do we rob You?’ In tithes and offerings. Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house.”

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7. Tithing gives you a chance to prove HE EXISTS
and wants to bless you.

MALACHI 3:10-11 (NIV)

“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 you will not have room enough for it. I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not cast their fruit,” says the LORD Almighty.

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8. Tithing proves that I LOVE GOD.

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JOHN 14:15 (THE MESSAGE)

"If you love Me, show it by doing what I've told you."

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WHAT SHOULD I TITHE?

The FIRST part of what I earn, not the LEFTOVERS.

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PROVERBS 3:9 (TLB)

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WHERE SHOULD I TITHE?

Where I WORSHIP.

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MALACHI 3:10 (NIV)

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WHEN SHOULD I TITHE?

WHEN I WORSHIP.

1 CORINTHIANS 16:2 (TLB)

On every Lord's Day each of you should put aside something from what you have earned during the week, and use it for this offering. The amount depends on how much the Lord has helped you earn.

HOW TO REMEMBER

- Create a spending plan and make tithing your first priority.
- Use weekly envelopes or online giving (eaststreet.church)
- Teach your children to tithe

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Give WILLINGLY.

2 CORINTHIANS 8:12 (NIV)

For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what he does not have.

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2 CORINTHIANS 9:7 (NIV)

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion.

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Give CHEERFULLY.

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2 CORINTHIANS 9:7 (NIV)

For God loves a cheerful giver.

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Give SACRIFICIALLY.

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2 CORINTHIANS 8:3-4 (NIV)

They gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service.

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Give EXPECTANTLY.

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2 CORINTHIANS 9:6 (NIV)

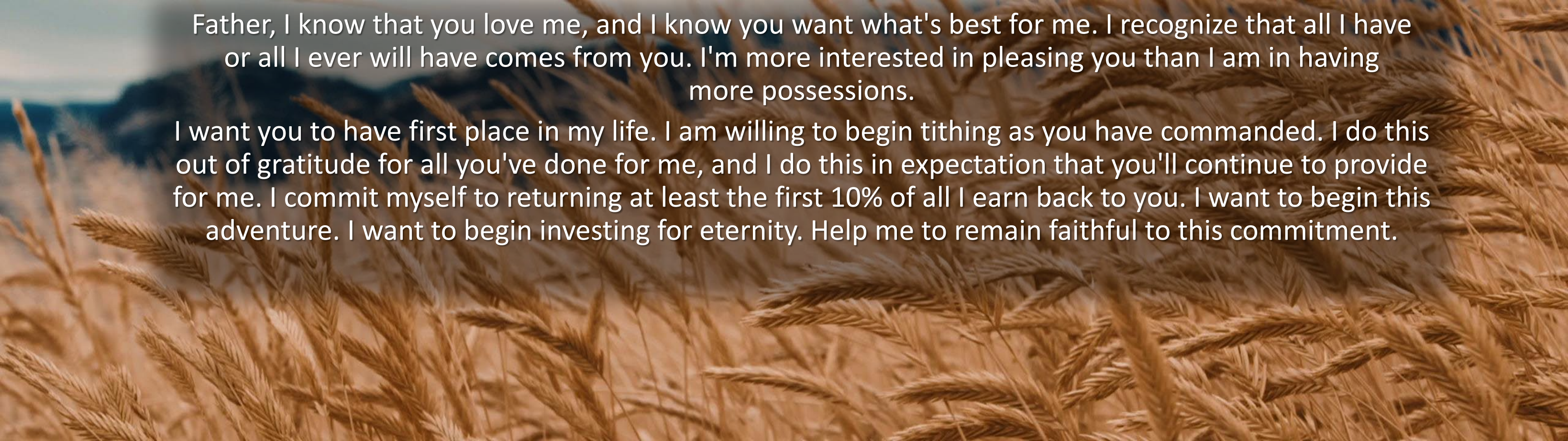
Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly,
and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.

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THE KEY TO GIVING

2 CORINTHIANS 8:5 (GNT)

“FIRST THEY GAVE THEMSELVES TO THE LORD.”

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Father, I know that you love me, and I know you want what's best for me. I recognize that all I have or all I ever will have comes from you. I'm more interested in pleasing you than I am in having more possessions.

I want you to have first place in my life. I am willing to begin tithing as you have commanded. I do this out of gratitude for all you've done for me, and I do this in expectation that you'll continue to provide for me. I commit myself to returning at least the first 10% of all I earn back to you. I want to begin this adventure. I want to begin investing for eternity. Help me to remain faithful to this commitment.