

## The Seven Heart Attitudes

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| 1. Put the goals and interests of others above my own.   | <i>Philippians 2:3-4</i>   |
| 2. Live an honest, open life before others.              | <i>Ephesians 4:25-26</i>   |
| 3. Give and receive Scriptural correction.               | <i>Hebrews 10:24-25</i>    |
| 4. Clear up relationships.                               | <i>Matthew 5:23-24</i>     |
| 5. Participate in the ministry.                          | <i>1 Peter 4:10-11</i>     |
| <b>6. Support the work financially.</b>                  | <i>2 Corinthians 9:6-7</i> |
| 7. Follow spiritual leadership within Scriptural limits. | <i>Hebrews 13:17</i>       |

**Truth:** God doesn't need my \_\_\_\_\_, but rather is giving me an  
 \_\_\_\_\_ to join Him in His work

## Giving in the Old Testament...

*Genesis 14:18-20; 28:20-22*

- God declared 1/10th of each income \_\_\_\_\_ for His purposes *Leviticus 27:30; 31*
- Failure to give a tenth... *Malachi 3:8-9*
  - ◇ Was \_\_\_\_\_ Him
  - ◇ Brought a \_\_\_\_\_ of destruction on one's work
- Giving the tenth would... *Malachi 3:10-11*
  - ◇ Result in financial \_\_\_\_\_
  - ◇ \_\_\_\_\_ the "devouring" curse

## Giving in the New Testament...

*Matthew 23:23; Luke 6:38*

- 3 principles guiding giving
  - ◇ The \_\_\_\_\_ Practice *1 Corinthians 9:13-14*
  - ◇ Worthy \_\_\_\_\_: the laborers should be paid *1 Corinthians 9:9-12; 1 Timothy 5:18*
  - ◇ Spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ deserves \_\_\_\_\_ reward *Galatians 6:6-8; Romans 15:27*



## Giving at Hope Church...

- We \_\_\_\_\_ to support the work financially
- We strive to give in a God-honoring way...
  - ◇ \_\_\_\_\_ *1 Corinthians 16:2*
  - ◇ \_\_\_\_\_ *Leviticus 27:30*
  - ◇ \_\_\_\_\_ *Luke 21:2-4; 2 Samuel 24:24*
  - ◇ \_\_\_\_\_ *2 Corinthians 9:6-7*
- Ultimately, it's about our \_\_\_\_\_ devotion to God

## Practicing Heart Attitude #6...

- **Beginner:** Pray about participating in the 2020 Christmas Offering and give for the very first time in an identifiable way (online, offering envelope).
- **Intermediate:** Commit to the full tithe, giving 10% of your income to God's work.
- **Advanced:** Give beyond a tithe and look for ways to be generous with others.
- **Giving Challenge:** Commit to tithe or give generously beyond a tithe for the next 3 months.

## Reflection Questions:

- What has been your pattern in supporting God's Work?
- How does your pattern fit with the teachings in Scripture?
- How have you seen God provide for your needs and bless you?

## Resource:

- [\*Tithing: Discover the Freedom of Biblical Giving\*](#) by R.T. Kendal

### Memory Verse (Topic: Heart Attitude #6)

*Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

*2 Corinthians 9:6-7 NIV*

## My Next Steps:

- Today, for the first time, I'll choose to follow Jesus!
- I'll talk with someone about [what it means to be a follower of Jesus](#).
- I'll join a group this fall to learn more and work on practicing the Heart Attitudes.
- I'll \_\_\_\_\_