Principle of Giving To The Lord

(God’s Formula)

Introduction: We want to look at what the Old Testament and New Testament says about giving.

**I) Giving Under the Old Law**

**A) Giving to provide for the Levites, help the .**

1. There was a purpose for the giving.

2. Not all of the giving was done at the temple.

**B) Law of tithing, Deut. 14.22-27.**

1. Additional giving, every year, **Deut. 14.28,29.**

2. Law on , **Deut. 26.1,2, 9-12.**

3. Law on , **Deut. 23.19-22.**

a. They were not to the fields, **Lev. 19.9-20.**

**C) In addition – the daily sacrifices, yearly sacrifices, not charging interest.**

1. Do we rest our land every 7th year, 50 year?

2. The Law of Moses does not apply today, **Hebrews 8.6,7, 13.**

**II) The New Testament On Giving**

**A) There was a , Acts 4.34-35; 5.4.**

1. Out of this treasury – .

2. The church is not in the business of raising funds, charging for services, etc,.

3. The only scriptural way for the church to have money is .

**B) 1 Corinthians 16.1-2 this giving was periodical.**

1. It was on the of the week.

**C) 2 Corinthians 8.1-5, 12**

1. Those with ability helped those Christians in need.

2. A mind. It is important for us to think about our giving.

**D) 2 Corinthians 9.6-15**

1. Not a set formula – 10%, 15%, or 30%.

2. Not to judge ourselves as a congregation by the silver barometer.

a. Smyrna was poor but rich, **Revelation 2.9**

b. Laodicea was rich but poor, **Revelation 3.17.**

3. in his heart v**. 7.**

4. God loves a giver, hilarious, out of joy. **V. 7, Deut. 12.5-7**

5. All – contrast with grudgingly or of necessity, **Mark 12.42-43.**

**III) Principles of Giving**

**A) Invalid concepts--**

**B) Giving** , **Acts 20.35.**