

## **Daily Devotional**

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**Theme:** Out Giving God

**Text:** Malachi 3:10

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 you will not have room enough for it

**Thought:**

There are some who would be so inclined to say that we are wasting our time as we come together on Sunday and Wednesday. They may feel time would be better served in taking care of those things that don't get done when we're away. But have you ever thought of what they are able to accomplish, compared to that which gets done by those who spend some time in service to the King?

I suppose it's kind of like it is with anything we give to God. The more we give, the more He blesses us with. This is true with time, as well as money and other goods that we enjoy. No matter how hard we try, we can never outgive God!

This is the real point. If we selfishly use our time for our own benefit when it could be used in service to the Lord, we will find that we have less time to use. If we choose to not come to worship in order to accomplish something else with our time we will find that our spiritual life suffers, and we really don't have any spare time.

I would challenge you to test God in this. Just try and give Him more of your time and just see if you don't get more accomplished in the spare time that He gives back!