

THE FOUR SPIRITUAL LAWS OF PROSPERITY – Class 2 of 5

**A Unity Spiritual Education & Enrichment
(SEE) elective class series**

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Today



Chapter 2 – What IS Tithing?

Chapter 3 – Tithing in Your Own
Life

A NEW LOOK AT TITHING



WHAT IS TITHING?

- Ancient spiritual law of giving back to God 1/10th **of everything you receive**
- Tithing will change your life. Metaphor.....
- Brings up the most resistance in people
- Resistance comes from fear.....



Penniless & Desperate – Edwene's 'story'

Life of quiet
desperation

Continual
financial crisis

Examples of her
lack

Screamed out to
God

Worked hard 2
jobs

Doubting Thomas, Doubting Edwene

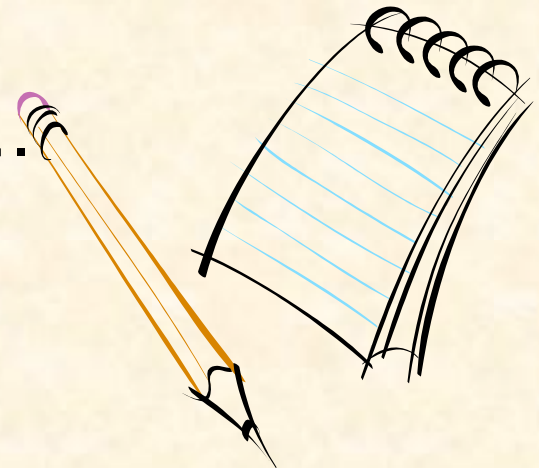
- Knew about tithing from Baptist church, reading Catherine Ponder, Charles Fillmore, but



- Went to see a minister she knew....
- Prayed for help, little voice inside said....
- Looked again at Malachai - “Prove me now.”
- Realized choice....
- “OK, Pops....”

Giving God a Chance

- Wanted to believe in a God who would respond to her....
- How she 'interpreted' tithing....
- What she did....
- Panic attacks & night terrors
- First few weeks....
- Interesting things started....
- What happened to her
'on the inside'



“(I have) A Wealthy Father”

Story of Edwene
going into
business for
herself....

Chas. Fillmore
quote:



The Windows of Heaven Opened, Finally!



- **2 highly profitable companies,**
- **After 6 months income tripled**
- **End of a year, more than \$100 K income**
- **Married a successful man....**

Jill's Story of Tithing

Lowest point in her life

Attended seminar, began tithing

Did well, stopped tithing,
life fell apart

Began tithing again,
picked up the pieces

Seminars on forgiveness, goal
setting, finding her purpose

Jill is now a millionaire

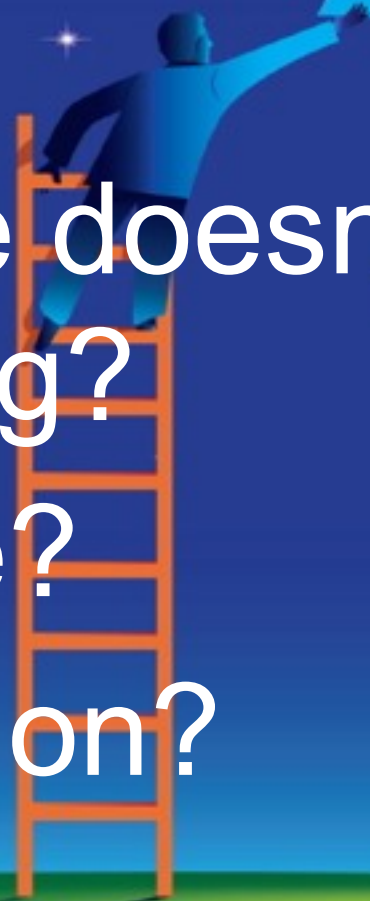
TITHING QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

- What IS a **tithe**?
- What is '**spiritual food**'?
- What is the purpose of the tithe?
- What is the tithing promise?

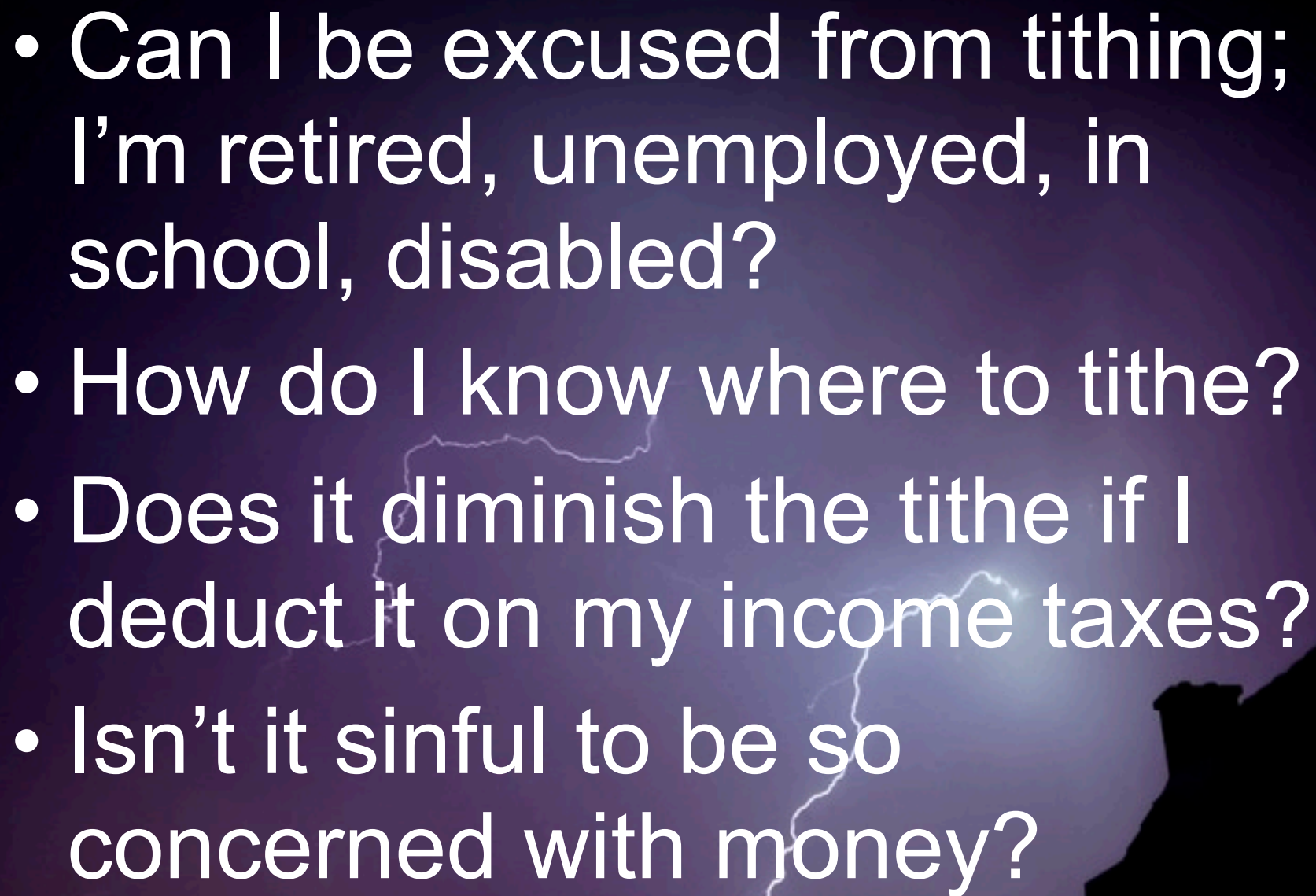
- Why should I tithe?
- Why 10%?

- What if I receive spiritual food from several places?
- What if those I tithe to don't need it?

- Tithe on net or gross?
- Money made before started tithing?
- Partner/spouse doesn't believe in tithing?
- When do I tithe?
- What do I tithe on?



- **Do I have any say in how tithe used?**
- **How do I tithe on gifts, lunches, free tickets, etc?**
- **Did Jesus teach tithing?**
- **Is it OK to tithe 5%?**
- **How can I tithe when I can't pay my bills?**

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- Can I be excused from tithing; I'm retired, unemployed, in school, disabled?
 - How do I know where to tithe?
 - Does it diminish the tithe if I deduct it on my income taxes?
 - Isn't it sinful to be so concerned with money?

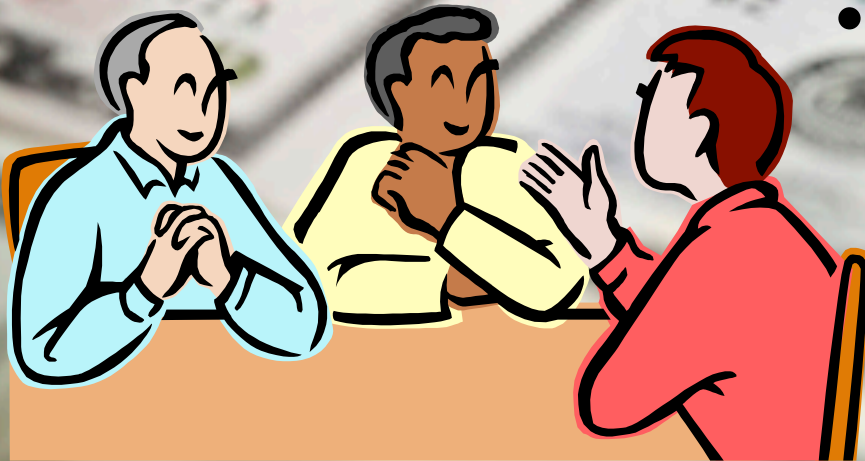
A photograph of a sunset or sunrise. The sky is a warm, golden-brown color. A bright, glowing sun is visible in the upper right quadrant. In the foreground, the dark silhouettes of several evergreen trees are visible against the bright sky. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

What about people who don't
tithe and prosper anyway?

Tithing is based on a law that
cannot fail.

TITHING IN
YOUR OWN LIFE

- **GET INTO GROUPS**
- **EACH GROUP WILL LOOK AT AND DISCUSS TOPICS**
- **EACH GROUP WILL SHARE WITH THE CLASS**



TITHING, p. 53

GOD IS YOUR SOURCE, p. 54-TOP p. 56

TITHING IS NOT CHARITY, P. 56-TOP p. 60

ALL GIVING IS GOOD, p. 60-TOP p. 62

AS YOU GIVE SO YOU RECEIVE, p. 62-63

PREPARE YOURSELF TO RECEIVE, p.
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REMEMBER, FAITH IS A CHOICE, p. 65-66

FOR NEXT WEEK *READ
“THE SECOND LAW,
GOAL-SETTING”

CHAPTERS 4 & 5

BE READY TO *REPORT
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