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Galatians 6:10

¹⁰ Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us <u>do good</u> to all, especially to those who are of the <u>household of</u> **faith**.

Philippians 2:2-3, 4

² fulfill my joy by being <u>like-minded</u>, having the same love, being of <u>one accord</u>, of <u>one mind</u>. ³ Let nothing be done through <u>selfish ambition</u> or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. ⁴ Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the <u>interests of others</u>.

Genesis 14:18, 20b

- ¹⁸ Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was the priest of God Most High.
- ²⁰ ...And he (Abraham) gave him a tithe of all.

Leviticus 27:28. 30

- ²⁸ Nevertheless no devoted **offering** that a man may devote to the LORD of all that he has, both man and beast, or the field of his possession, shall be sold or redeemed; every devoted offering is most holy to the LORD.
- ³⁰ And all the <u>tithe</u> of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD's. It is holy to the LORD.

II Samuel 24:24

²⁴ Then the king said to Araunah, "No, but I will surely buy it from you for a price; nor will I offer burnt **offerings** to the LORD my God with that which **costs me nothing**." So David bought the threshing floor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver.

Nehemiah 10:37-38

³⁷ to bring the firstfruits of our dough, our <u>offerings</u>, the fruit from all kinds of trees, the new wine and oil, to the <u>priests</u>, to the <u>storerooms of the house of our God</u>; and to bring the <u>tithes</u> of our land to the <u>Levites</u>, for the Levites should receive the tithes in all our farming communities. ³⁸ And the priest, the descendant of Aaron, shall be with the Levites when the Levites receive tithes; and the Levites shall bring up a tenth of the tithes to the house of our God, to the rooms of the <u>storehouse</u>.

II Chronicles 31:5, 12-14

- ⁵ As soon as the commandment was circulated, the children of Israel brought in abundance the <u>firstfruits</u> of grain and wine, oil and honey, and of all the produce of the field; and they brought in abundantly the tithe of everything.
- ¹² Then they faithfully brought in the offerings, the <u>tithes</u>, and the dedicated things; Cononiah the Levite <u>had charge</u> of them, and Shimei his brother was the next. ¹³ Jehiel, Azaziah, Nahath, Asahel, Jerimoth, Jozabad, Eliel, Ismachiah, Mahath, and Benaiah were <u>overseers</u> under the hand of Cononiah and Shimei his brother, at the commandment of Hezekiah the king and Azariah the ruler of the house of God. ¹⁴ Kore the son of Imnah the Levite, the keeper of the East Gate, was over the freewill offerings to God, <u>to distribute</u> the offerings of the LORD and the most holy things.

Malachi 3:3-4a

³ He will sit as a refiner and a purifier of silver; He will purify the sons of Levi, and <u>purge</u> them as gold and silver, <u>that they may offer</u> to the LORD an offering <u>in righteousness</u>. ⁴ Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem Will be pleasant to the LORD...

Malachi 3:7b-12

⁷ "Return to Me, and I will return to you," says the LORD of hosts. "But you said, 'In what way shall we return?' ⁸ Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, 'In what way have we robbed You?' In tithes and offerings. ⁹ You are cursed with a curse, for you have robbed Me, even this whole nation. ¹⁰ Bring all the tithes <u>into the storehouse</u>, that there may be food <u>in My house</u>, and try Me now in this," says the LORD of hosts, "If I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it. ¹¹ And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, so that he will not destroy the fruit of your ground, nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field," says the LORD of hosts; ¹² and all nations will call you blessed, for you will be a delightful land," says the LORD of hosts.

Acts 4:32-35

³² Now the multitude of those who believed were of <u>one heart and one soul</u>; neither did anyone say that any of the things he possessed was his own, but they had all things in common. ³³ And with great power the apostles gave witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And <u>great grace</u> was upon them all. ³⁴ Nor was there anyone among them who lacked; for all who were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the proceeds of the things that were sold, ³⁵ and laid them at the apostles' feet; and <u>they distributed</u> to each as anyone had need.

Matthew 5:21-22a

²¹ You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder and whoever murders will be in danger of the judgment.' ²² But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment.

Matthew 5:27-28

²⁷ You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not commit adultery.' ²⁸ But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

Acts 5:4

⁴ While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own **control**? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God.

Hebrews 11:6

But without faith it is impossible to please Him.

Proverbs 3:9-10

⁹ Honor the LORD with your possessions, and with the firstfruits of all your increase; ¹⁰ So your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine.

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