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## **Christian Giving**

What is the Christian's responsibility to support the church? Has that responsibility changed with the current economic climate? As always, the answers are found in God's Word.

### **1 Corinthians 16:1-4**

I.) Christian Obedience: 1 John 5:2-3, John 14:21-24, 1 John 3:24, Luke 11:27-28

II.) Reasons To Give

A.) Commanded by God: Luke 6:38, Acts 20:35, Proverbs 3:9-10, Matthew 25:31-40

B.) Provide for Teaching the Word: 1 Corinthians 9:14, Galatians 6:6, 1 Timothy 5:17-18, Philippians 4:17-19

C.) Provide for Others in Need: Acts 2:44-45, Acts 4:32-35, Acts 11:29-30, Romans 15:25-26, Romans 12:9-15

D.) Act of Worship: 2 Corinthians 8:1-5, Romans 12:1

III.) Christian Pattern of Giving

A.) Tithes: Genesis 14:17-20 NASB, Leviticus 27:30-33, Matthew 23:23, Luke 18:9-12, Hebrews 7:5-10, 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

B.) Freely: Exodus 35:5, Exodus 35:21-22, 2 Corinthians 8:12, Philemon 1:14

C.) Regularly: 1 Corinthians 16:1-2

D.) Proportionally: 2 Corinthians 8:3, 2 Corinthians 8:12

E.) Sacrificially: 2 Corinthians 8:1-6, Mark 12:41-44 NASB

F.) Cheerfully: 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

*Food for thought: Giving is our obedient act of worship to God.*

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