



# Essential Faith

## **ESSENTIAL FAITH #14** **FULL-HEARTED COMMITMENT**

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### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **I. KEYS to the KINGDOM** (Matthew 16:19 NKJV)

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**NOT JUST INFORMATION, INSPIRATION, IMPARTATION, BUT**  
**FORMATION!**

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#### **II. TITHING PROVES YOUR COMMITMENT.** (Genesis 14:20b, Genesis 28: 22, Matthew 23:23 NASB)

**It is AN ETERNAL PRINCIPLE--based on LOVING GOD.**

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*Tithing before the Law was voluntary; tithing under the Law was compulsory; tithing under \* is willing, cheerful, and an expression of an ALIVE and ACTIVE FAITH in Him.*

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**We never tell anyone how much to give, but a heart of GIVING is what God wants.**

*(Other Scholarly resources which present or support the position of three tithes: Unger's Bible Dictionary, Wycliffe Bible Encyclopedia, Smith's Dictionary of the Bible, Hasting's Dictionary of the Bible, International Standard Bible Encyclopedia, Vol.5, The Book of Tobit.)*

#### **III. TITHING SHOWS YOUR HEART IS HIS. HE SAYS "PROVE ME"**

*(Malachi 3:10 NKJV, Deuteronomy 28:12, 2 Kings 7:2, 19; Philippians 4:19, Amos 4:6-12, Haggai 1:6; Malachi 3:8-9; Matthew 6: 31-33)*

**1. God will \* .**

*Hebrew root of to "prove" occurs 32x in the OT --"to put to a test."*

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**2. God rebukes the enemy of your soul.**

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God looks at the heart. The anointing to receive is affected by the heart to give. \_\_\_\_\_

**IV. YOUR LOCAL STOREHOUSE** (Malachi 3:10a, John 15:13)

**Malachi 3:10a (NKJV) Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house...** By giving, you confirm your commitment to, and support of, your church—the local storehouse where you are being spiritually \_\_\_\_\_.

**V. COMMITMENT to your Home Church** (Matthew 6:21, Ephesians 4:16, Acts 6:3-4, 1 Corinthians 1:10)

- 1) You \_\_\_\_\_ the church that ministers to you.
- 2) You develop closer relationships. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) The Church grows with committed people who serve Jesus and each other. \_\_\_\_\_

**FAITHFULNESS, RESPONSIVE hearts** \_\_\_\_\_

**SPEAKING THE SAME WORD** \_\_\_\_\_

**YOUR church vs. \_\_\_\_\_ Church.**

**CONCLUSION** \_\_\_\_\_

**Essential Faith:**

Crossing Bridges of understanding to more deeply embrace and embody the essentials of our faith.

*How to change and grow to be more conformed to His image and be a better follower of Jesus.*

**Who are we? What's our purpose? We are here to please Jesus by: *Grace Christian: Teaching Disciples, Building the Church, Reaching the World.***