

VERSES ON GIVING TO MINISTRY

Ex 22:29-30 29 You will not delay the offering from your harvest and your vintage. The firstborn of your sons you will give to me. 30 You will do the same with your oxen and with your sheep.

Ex 23:19 19 You will bring the choice first fruits of your soil into the house of Yahweh your God.

Ex 25:1-9 1 Yahweh spoke to Moses saying: 2 Tell the sons of Israel to raise a contribution for me. From every man whose heart moves him you will raise my contribution. 3 This is the contribution which you are to raise from them: gold, silver, and bronze, 4 blue, purple, and scarlet material, fine linen, goat hair, 5 rams' skins dyed red, porpoise skins, acacia wood, 6 oil for lighting, spices for the anointing oil and for the fragrant incense, 7 and onyx stones and setting stones for the ephod and for the breastpiece. 8 Let them construct a sanctuary (מִקְדָּשׁ) for me, that I may dwell (שָׁכַן) among them. 9 According to all that I am going to show you—as the pattern of the tabernacle and the pattern of all its furniture—just so you will construct it.

Nu 18:26-32 26 When you [Levites] take from the sons of Israel the tithe that I have given you from them for your inheritance, then you will present an offering from it to Yahweh, a tithe of the tithe. 27 Your offering will be reckoned to you as the grain from the threshing floor or the full produce from the wine vat. 28 So you will also present an offering to Yahweh from your tithes that you receive from the sons of Israel, and from it you will give Yahweh's offering to Aaron the priest. 29 Out of all your gifts you will present every offering due to Yahweh, from all the best of them, the sacred part from them. 30 You will say to them: When you have offered from it the best of it, then the rest will be reckoned to the Levites as the product of the threshing floor and as the product of the wine vat. 31 You may eat it anywhere, you and your households, for it is your compensation in return for your service in the tent of meeting. 32 You will bear no sin by reason of it when you have offered the best of it. But you will not profane the sacred gifts of the sons of Israel, or you will die.

Dt 8:18 18 You will remember Yahweh your God, for it is he who is giving you power (כֹּחַ) to make wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day.

Dt 12:19 19 Be careful that you do not forsake the Levite as long as you live in your land.

Dt 14:27-29 27 You will not neglect the Levite who is in your town, for he has no portion or inheritance among you. 28 At the end of every third year you will bring out all the tithe of your produce in that year and deposit it in your town. 29 The Levite, because he has no portion or inheritance among you..., will come, eat, and be satisfied in order that Yahweh your God may bless you in all the work of your hand that you do.

Dt 16:16-17 16 Three times in a year all your males will appear before Yahweh your God in the place that he chooses, at the festival of Unleavened Bread, at the festival of Weeks, and at

the festival of Booths, and they will not appear before Yahweh empty-handed. 17 Every man will give as he is able, according to the blessing of Yahweh your God that he has given you.

Dt 18:1-5 1 The Levitical priests, the whole tribe of Levi, will have no portion or inheritance with Israel. They will eat Yahweh's offerings by fire and his portion. 2 They will have no inheritance among their countrymen. Yahweh is their inheritance, as he promised them. 3 Now this will be the priests' due from the people, from those who offer a sacrifice, either an ox or a sheep, of which they will give to the priest the shoulder, the two cheeks, and the stomach. 4 You will give him the first fruits of your grain, your new wine, and your oil, and the first shearing of your sheep. 5 For Yahweh your God has chosen him and his sons from all your tribes, to stand and serve in the name of Yahweh forever.

Dt 25:4 4 You will not muzzle the ox while he is threshing.

1 Ch 29:11-14 11 Yours, Yahweh, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty, indeed everything that is in the heavens and the earth. Yours is the dominion, Yahweh, and you exalt yourself as head over all. 12 Both riches and honor are from you, you rule over all, in your hand is power and might, and it lies in your hand to make great and to strengthen everyone. 13 Now therefore, our God, we thank you and praise your glorious name. 14 But who am I and who are my people that we should be able to offer as generously as this? For all things come from you, and from your hand we have given you.

Ezr 1:1-6 1 In the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, in order to fulfill the word of Yahweh by the mouth of Jeremiah, Yahweh stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he sent a proclamation throughout all his kingdom and also in writing saying: 2 Thus says Cyrus king of Persia: Yahweh, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth, and he has appointed me to build him a house in Jerusalem that is in Judah. 3 Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up to Jerusalem that is in Judah and rebuild the house of Yahweh, the God of Israel. He is the God who is in Jerusalem. 4 Every survivor, at whatever place he may live, let the men of that place support him with silver and gold, with goods and cattle, together with a freewill offering for the house of God that is in Jerusalem. 5 Then the heads of fathers' households of Judah and Benjamin and the priests and the Levites arose, even everyone whose spirit God had stirred to go up and rebuild the house of Yahweh which is in Jerusalem. 6 All those about them encouraged them with articles of silver, with gold, with goods, with cattle and with valuables, aside from all that was given as a freewill offering.

Ezr 2:68 68 Some of the heads of fathers' households, when they arrived at the house of Yahweh that is in Jerusalem, offered willingly for the house of God to restore it on its foundation.

Ne 10:32-33 32 We...placed ourselves under obligation to contribute yearly one third of a shekel for the service of the house of our God: 33 for the showbread, for the continual grain offering, for the continual burnt offering, the sabbaths, and the new moon, for the appointed times, for the holy things, for the sin offerings to make atonement for Israel, and all the work of the house of our God.

Job 41:11 11 Who has given to me that I should repay him? Whatever is under the whole heaven is mine.

Hag 2:8 8 The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, declares Yahweh of hosts.

Mt 6:19-21 19 Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal. 20 But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in or steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Mk 12:41-44 41 [Jesus] sat down opposite the treasury and was observing how the people were putting money into the treasury. And many rich people were putting in large sums. 42 A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins that amounts to a cent. 43 Calling his disciples to him, he said to them: Truly I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the contributors to the treasury. 44 For they all put in out of their surplus, but she out of her poverty put in all she owned, all she had to live on.

Lk 8:3 3 Many others...were contributing to [the] support [of Jesus and his companions] out of their private means.

Lk 10:7 7 The laborer is worthy of his wages.

Lk 16:9 9 Make friends for yourselves by means of the wealth of unrighteousness, so that when it fails, they will receive you into the eternal dwellings.

1 Co 9:7-18 7 Who at any time serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat the fruit of it? Or who tends a flock and does not use the milk of the flock? 8 I am not speaking these things according to human judgment, am I? Or does not the law also say these things? 9 For it is written in the law of Moses: You will not muzzle the ox while he is threshing. God is not concerned about oxen, is he? 10 Or is he speaking altogether for our sake? Yes, for our sake it was written, because the plowman ought to plow in hope, and the thresher in hope of sharing. 11 If we sowed spiritual things in you, is it too much if we reap material things from you? 12 If others share the right over you, do we not more? Nevertheless, we did not use this right, but we endure all things so that we will cause no hindrance to the good news of Messiah. 13 Do you not know that those who perform sacred services eat the food of the temple, and those who attend regularly to the altar have their share from the altar? 14 So also the Lord [Jesus] directed those who proclaim the gospel to get their living from the gospel. 15 But I have used none of these things, and I am not writing these things so that it will be done so in my case. For it would be better for me to die than have any man make my boast an empty one. 16 For if I preach the gospel, I have nothing to boast of, for I am under compulsion. For woe is me if I do not preach the gospel. 17 For if I do this voluntarily, I have a reward. But if against my will, I have a stewardship entrusted to me. 18 What then is my reward? That when I preach the gospel I may offer the gospel without charge so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

2 Co 8-9 [Entire chapters.]

2 Co 11:7-9 7 Did I commit a sin in humbling myself so that you might be exalted, because I preached the gospel of God to you without charge? 8 I robbed other churches by taking wages to serve you. 9 And when I was present with you and was in need, I was not a burden to anyone. For when the brothers came from Macedonia, they fully supplied my need. So in everything I kept myself from being a burden to you, and will continue to do so.

Ga 6:6-7 6 The one who is taught the word is to share all good things with the one who teaches. 7 Do not be deceived. God is not mocked. For whatever a man sows, this he will also reap.

Php 4:14-19 14 You have done well to share in my affliction. 15 You yourselves also know, Philippians, that at the first preaching of the gospel, after I left Macedonia, no church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving but you alone. 16 For even in Thessalonica you sent more than once for my needs. 17 Not that I seek the gift itself, but I seek for the profit which increases to your account. 18 But I have received everything in full and have an abundance. I am amply supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you have sent, a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God. 19 And my God will supply all your needs according to his riches in glory in Messiah Jesus.

1 Ti 5:17-18 17 The elders who rule well are to be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who work hard at preaching and teaching. 18 For the Scripture says: You will not muzzle the ox while he is threshing. And: The laborer is worthy of his wages.

3 Jn 5-8 5 Beloved, you are acting faithfully in whatever you accomplish for the brothers and sisters, and especially strangers. 6 And they have testified to your love before the church. You will do well to send them on their way in a manner worthy of God. 7 For they went out for the sake of the name, accepting nothing from the unbelievers. 8 Therefore we ought to support such men, so that we may be fellow workers with the truth.