10 Biblical and Practical Reasons to Teach People to Give to the Lord 10% or more of their Income

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#1 It is a tried and proven pattern of giving done by godly people throughout the ages (regardless of cultures and income levels).

#2 It will help them reverence God more in their life. □ Dt. 14:23

#3 It will bring God's wisdom and order to their finances and will help them harness the dragon of materialism in their life.

#4 It will serve as a practical reminder that God is the Owner of everything in their life.
- I Chron 29:11-18 □ Ps 24:1,2 □ Ps 50:10-12 □ Hag 2:8

#5 It will allow them to experience God's care and provisions in ways they would not otherwise experience.
- I Kgs 17 □ Pr 3:9,10 □ Mal 3:7-15 □ Hag 1:4-11, 2:15-19 □ Lu 6:38 □ Deut 28 □ Phil 4:15-19 □ Mk 12:41-44

#6 It will encourage their spiritual growth and trust in God.
- Deut 14:23 □ Pr 3:5,6 □ Mal 3:8-10 □ Hag 1:4-11, 2:15-19 □ II Cor 8:5

#7 It will ensure them treasure in heaven.
- I Tim 6:18,19 □ Mt 6:19-21 □ Heb 6:10 □ III Jn 8 □ I Sam 30:22

#8 It will strengthen the ministry, outreach, and stability of their local church.
- Acts 2:42-47, 4:32 □ II Cor 9:12,13

#9 It will help provide the means to keep their Pastor and missionaries in full-time Christian service.
- I Cor 9:9-11,14 □ I Tim 5:17,18 □ III Jn 5-8 □ Phil 4:15-19 □ Gal 6:6 □ Lu 8:3 □ II Kg 4:8-10

#10 It will help accomplish needed building projects and renovations.
- II Ch 24:4-14 □ Ex 35,36 □ II Kings 12:2-16 □ I Ch 29:2-19 □ Ez 1:4-6

Sir John Templeton, chairman of Templeton Funds that manages over $15,000,000,000 ($15 billion) annually in investments said:

"I have observed 100,000 families over my years of investment counseling. I always saw greater prosperity and happiness among those families who tithed than among those who didn't."

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