

## **Lenten Season 2023**

Fasting | Praying | Serving | **Giving** | Evangelizing | Reflecting

### **Week 5 E-Journal: Giving**

#### **This week's passage of scripture for the week: Mal. 3:6-12 (NLT)**

**6** "I am the LORD, and I do not change. That is why you descendants of Jacob are not already destroyed. **7** Ever since the days of your ancestors, you have scorned my decrees and failed to obey them. Now return to me, and I will return to you," says the LORD of Heaven's Armies. "But you ask, 'How can we return when we have never gone away?'

**8** "Should people cheat God? Yet you have cheated me! "But you ask, 'What do you mean? When did we ever cheat you?' "You have cheated me of the tithes and offerings due to me.

**9** You are under a curse, for your whole nation has been cheating me. **10** Bring all the tithes into the storehouse so there will be enough food in my Temple. If you do," says the LORD of Heaven's Armies, "I will open the windows of heaven for you. I will pour out a blessing so great you won't have enough room to take it in! Try it! Put me to the test! **11** Your crops will be abundant, for I will guard them from insects and disease.<sup>[a]</sup> Your grapes will not fall

from the vine before they are ripe," says the LORD of Heaven's Armies. **12** "Then all nations will call you blessed, for your land will be such a delight," says the LORD of Heaven's Armies.

**Sunday, March 19, 2023**

**Lenten Fast Focus: Commit to Tithing**

*What are your reflections on today's Lenten Fast Focus?*

**Monday, March 20, 2023**

**Lenten Fast Focus: Give to Above the Tithe**

*What are your reflections on today's Lenten Fast Focus?*

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**Tuesday, March 21, 2023**

**Lenten Fast Focus: Commit to shredding at least one credit card.**

*What are your reflections on today's Lenten Fast Focus?*

**Wednesday, March 22, 2023**

**Lenten Fast Focus: Commit to donating non-perishable food items to a local shelter or food pantry.**

*What are your reflections on today's Lenten Fast Focus?*

**Thursday, March 23, 2023**

**Lenten Fast Focus: Commit to donating clothing and other household items that you do not use to a worthy cause.**

*What are your reflections on today's Lenten Fast Focus?*

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**Friday, March 24, 2023**

**Lenten Fast Focus: Pay it forward! Bless Someone in Line Behind You.**

*What are your reflections on today's Lenten Fast Focus?*

**Saturday, March 25, 2023**

**Lenten Fast Focus: Bless your house cleaner, gardener, refuse collector, grocery store worker, etc. with a gift card.**

*What are your reflections on today's Lenten Fast Focus?*