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How could we introduce our tithes and offerings in a more meaningful way?

The opportunity for people to bring their tithes and offerings to God's storehouse (the church) is a vital part of worship in any service. This should not be rushed, or introduced as a last thought. We also don't want to exclude people, such as visitors, from this opportunity of worship by saying they don't need to take part.

Here are some thoughts that may assist in bringing our people into a time of worship during this period in our services.

- We now come to a significant time in our worship to God when we are able to say thank you and give God our thanks for His provision. We are blessed every day and we now have opportunity to show our thankfulness by bringing our tithes and offerings to God.
- We are reminded in scripture that God is the provider of all things. Psalm 24:1 "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it." If we belong to Christ, it's logical that everything we have truly belongs to Him. When we give to God, we are just taking our hands off what already belongs to Him. God is our provider. As we bring our tithes and offerings to Him, we are reminded of that. We are reminded that it is in God we trust, not ourselves. We trust Him to be our provider.
- God is the provider of every good thing in your life. We reminded of that in James 1:17 "Every good and perfect give is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights". Sometimes we can find ourselves too reliant on our employers, or the government or even ourselves and think they are the providers. But when we acknowledge that God is our provider and that is who we place our trust in, we can be assured that He will never let us down. We now have the opportunity to give thanks to God for His blessings. We now have an opportunity to show that we put God first in our finances and in our lives.



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- We are each blessed by God with time, talents and treasures. We are called to be stewards of those blessings. At this time we are able to acknowledge the blessings from God of our treasures or finances. We "give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever." (Psalm 107:1) God is good. God is love. We are blessed by Him in order to be a blessing to others. We pray that as we bring our tithes and offerings to God that we will see people blessed.
- Malachi 3:10 says "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this", says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be enough to store it." The only area that we are allowed to test God is in this area. God wants us to trust Him in all things. Often though our finances are the last things we allow God to have anything to do with, even though everything we have comes from Him. This test comes with a promise. The promise of so many blessings being poured out that we won't have room to store it. We want and need God's blessings to be poured out upon us, our congregation, our community and the ministries He has called us to do. It all starts with us saying Yes to God. Yes we trust You, we give You our all, we put our trust in You. May God bless us as we bring our tithes and offerings to Him.

Other ideas which can help create the right atmosphere:

- Show a clip (ideas are on our web site)
- Show a powerpoint scripture slide during the offering (see Brian Kluth site)
- Pray the scripture from the slide after the offering
- Have someone share their testimony about God's generosity before the offering

Check out our resources and information on: [Salvos.org.au/generouslife](https://salvos.org.au/generouslife)

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produces generosity.
That's why grateful
people are also
generous people.**

— ROBERT MORRIS —

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