

# Malachi:

*A spiritual health-check*



Growing  
Deeper  
Reaching  
Wider



MOT FULL  
SERVICE OIL  
CHANGE TYRES  
BRAKE CHECKS

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‘Rob’ – the original word means to exploit, plunder  
and oppress.

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*‘Everything in heaven and earth is yours. (1 Chron 28:11)*

*Wealth and honour come from you. (1 Chron 28:12)*

*Everything comes from you, and we have given you only  
what comes from your hand. (1 Chron 29:14)’*

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2. God does not give up ownership when he's given it to you



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The tithe.....

In the Old Testament God required all his people to give away 10% of their income to charity and ministry.



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Therefore its right to tithe – but not as a legalistic limit to our giving but as a baseline and guideline.

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2. Give according to your ability (2 Cor 8:3)
3. When rethink your giving, don't primarily use your calculator, think about the cross.

*“See that you also excel in this grace of giving. I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.” (2 Cor 8: 7-9)*