



Funtastic Family Home Evenings

Easy to Prepare! Fun to Share!

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT TITHING?'

(Ages 5 and older)

PURPOSE

To help family members increase their understanding of tithing

MATERIALS

1. A copy of the quiz (below) for each person (or blank paper to write their answers)
2. Pencils for everyone



SONG SUGGESTION

- [“I’m Glad to Pay a Tithing”](#) page 150 in *Children’s Songbook*

LESSON IDEAS

Note: Prior to the lesson parents may find it helpful to read, [Teaching Our Children to Pay Tithing](#)

1. Explain that today’s lesson involves a short quiz to see how much everyone knows about tithing.
 - a. For older children: Give everyone a copy of Quiz #1 below (or a blank paper to write their answers on).
 - b. For younger children: Read the questions on Quiz #2 below.
2. For older children:
 - a. Discuss the correct answers and the quotes.
 - b. You may want to share one of more of the stories found in [Not Room Enough to Receive It](#)
3. For younger children you may want to share one or more of the following:
 - a. Video, [Matt and Mandy](#)
 - b. Story, [Is My Tithing Too Small?](#)
4. Allow each family member to share what they learned during the lesson about tithing.
 - a. Share an experience when paying tithing blessed your life.

ACTIVITY IDEAS

- Younger children may enjoy solving [this puzzle](#).
- Younger children may enjoy coloring [this picture](#).

Quiz #1: How Much Do You Know About Tithing?

1. What does the word 'tithe' mean?
 - a. Income
 - b. Donation
 - c. A tenth
 - d. Money

2. When did the paying of tithing first start?
 - a. In the days of the Old Testament
 - b. In the days of Jesus
 - c. In the days of Joseph Smith
 - d. In the days of Lorenzo Snow

3. What is tithing used for? (circle all correct answers)
 - a. To build temples
 - b. To buy new clothes for the bishop
 - c. To build churches
 - d. To help the hungry people in the ward and stake

4. Who does not need to pay tithing? (circle all correct answers)
 - a. A poor person
 - b. Someone can't pay his bills
 - c. Missionaries
 - d. Someone who isn't making money

5. What promises does the Lord make to those who pay tithing? (circle all correct answers)
 - a. They will not be burned at the Second Coming
 - b. They will be resurrected
 - c. They will never be sick
 - d. They will have many blessings poured out on them

6. When should we pay tithing?
 - a. After we pay all of our bills
 - b. Before we pay all of our bills

7. Paying tithing is required in order to: (circle all correct answers)
 - a. Go to the temple
 - b. Be baptized
 - c. Go to the Celestial Kingdom
 - d. Receive greater blessings

8. What does tithing teach us? (circle all correct answers)
 - a. To divide by 10
 - b. To remember God for our blessings
 - c. To exercise faith in God
 - d. To prepare to live the Law of Consecration
 - e. To sacrifice to build Heavenly Father's kingdom
 - f. To be unselfish

ANSWERS

1. Answer C.
2. Answer A. The first record of anyone paying tithing is Abraham (Genesis 14:20) though tithing may have been paid as far back as Adam.
3. Answers A and C. Fast offerings are used to help the hungry.
4. Answer C and D. Elder Lynn G. Robbins: “Is there a level of poverty so low that sacrifice should not be expected or a family so destitute that paying tithing should cease to be required? Like the widow [of Zarephath], if a destitute family is faced with the decision of paying their tithing or eating, they should pay their tithing” (*Ensign*, May 2005, 34).
5. Answers A and D. See Doctrine and Covenants 64:23 and Malachi 3:8-12
6. Answer B. President Marion G. Romney: “It is a debt just as literally as the grocery bill, or a light bill, or any other duly incurred obligation. As a matter of fact, the Lord, to whom one owes tithing, is in a position of a preferred creditor. If there is not enough to pay all creditors, he should be paid first. Now I am sure you will have a little shock at that, but that is the truth” (*New Era*, Jan 1982, 45).
7. All answers are correct. President Marion G. Romney: “Tithing is a part of the celestial law referred to in this revelation [D&C 104]. Obedience to it is a prerequisite to being quickened in the resurrection by the fulness of the celestial glory. Without such fulness, one coming into the presence of the Lord would be consumed, for God dwells in “eternal burnings” (*New Era*, Jan 1982, 45).
8. All answers are correct.

Quiz #2: How Much Do You Know About Tithing?

1. How much of your money do you pay in tithing?
2. To whom do we give our tithing?
3. You only pay tithing if you earn a lot of money. True or False
4. What is tithing used for?
 - a. To build temples and churches
 - b. To buy new clothes for the bishop
 - c. To help the hungry people in the ward and stake

ANSWERS

1. 10%
2. Only the bishop or his counselors
3. The correct answer is a. Feeding the hungry comes from fast offerings.