

*“The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. Moreover by them is thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward.” Psalm 19:9-11 KJV*



Have you actually put this passage to the test? *“Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.”* God’s Word is His Blessing. If He commands it to be so for you, not even Satan himself can stop it! Tithes are more than just finances. God is due one tenth of everything you are; your time, your intellect, your labor, and your possessions! Have you proved God? Do you KNOW Him to be true or are you still avoiding the issue – doing everything yourself? Think for a minute. If presented a choice between a pallet of pure gold and God’s Word with the provision that you would never see the other again, which would you choose? If you have to think about it at all, you do not KNOW! If you were exiled to a desert island and presented a single choice of either honey in the honeycomb or a Bible, which would you choose? Your answers are the true measure of your relationship with Jesus Christ. Judas only needed thirty pieces of silver. *“Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?”* Would you pass the test? If not, confess your lack to Jesus and say with the grieving father, *“Lord, I believe! Help Thou mine unbelief!”* Read your Bible and let God’s Word search your heart and reveal the sin that is keeping you apart so you may confess it and be cleansed and restored to sweet fellowship with your Creator and Friend; so you may KNOW and not just wish. When Jesus is all you need, He’ll be all you want! No temporal pleasure will ever tempt your soul away again! Where there is no desire, there is no temptation. Jesus is at once your God, Creator, Sovereign, Saviour, Father, Brother, Friend, Provider, and Lover. He knows your most intimate secrets and still He forgives and loves you. Why don’t we *“taste and see that the Lord is good,”* instead of just wishing it so? Know God’s Word – Know Jesus Christ! Most barely know Jesus let alone, need Him. We are so self-reliant we are skin and bones spiritually. We haven’t eaten in so long we think starvation is normal! Why are we so afraid to trust the God who created the earth we stand on and the air we breathe? Is He any less trustworthy than His clockwork heavens that have orderly marched across the night sky for millennia? We only trust Him when He’s all we have left. Why is the “pit of despair” the only place we need Him? Honor God with the magnitude of your requests for *“with God, nothing shall be impossible!”*

For those with God, reward is great,  
His Love, their soul, will satiate,  
His Joy will fill their Life with ease,  
And they will rest within His Peace. ~CGP

Jesus said, *“My Peace I give unto you.”* Are you at peace in your soul? If not, take your cares to Christ! There’s never a need to leave His presence; never a care that requires departure. Don’t let the cacophony of the tempest disrupt the fellowship of the vessel. Why wrestle with the sharks when you can dine with the Captain?

*“He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High, shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.”  
Psalms 91:1 KJV*