"GIVING"

EXPRESSION OF LOVE

- 1. "But whoso hath the world's good, and beholdeth his brother in need, and shutteth up his compassion form him, how doth the love of God abide in him." (I John 3:27).
- 2. "Visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction" (James 1:27).
- 3. The Great Commission. (Matthew 28:18-20).
- 4. These cannot be fulfilled without an expression of our love.

"TITHING"

- 1. O.T., Moses's Law. "All the tithe of the land is Jehovah's" (Lev. 27:30).
- 2. ABRAHAM. "And he gave him a tenth of all" (Gen. 14:20).
- 3. US TODAY? No Command! No Example!

WHEN

- 1. No Command. Our Example: "Upon the first day of the week let each one of you lay by him in store, as he may prosper, that no collections be made when I come." (I Cor. 16:2).
- 2. Responsibility is the elders....and OURS.

ATTITUDE

- 1. "Take heed that ye do not your righteousness before men, to be seen of them else ye have no reward with your Father who is in heaven. When therefore thou doest alms, sound not a trumpet before thee," (Matt. 6:1,2).
- 2. "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over..." (<u>Luke 6:38</u>).
- 3. "In all things I gave you an example, that so laboring ye ought to help the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that he himself said, It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35).

HOW AND HOW MUCH

- 1. "But this I say, He that soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he that soweth bountifully shall reap bountifully. Let each man do according as he hath purposed in his heart: not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful give." (II Cor. 9:6-7).
- 2. "And he sat down over against the treasury, and behold how the multitude cast money into the treasury: and many that were rich cast in much. And there came a poor widow, and she cast in two mites, which make a farthing. And he called unto him his disciples, and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, This poor widow cast in more than all they that are casting into the treasure: for they all did cast in of their superfluity: but she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living." (Mark 12:41-44).
- 3. "Parable Of The Talents." (Matthew 25:14-30).