



## October 18, 2020 Sermon

*Please review these questions and write your answers prior to attending*

*your Life Group meeting. The sermon manuscript and these questions can be accessed each week at [saintmatthiasoakdale.com/lifegrouphisweek](http://saintmatthiasoakdale.com/lifegrouphisweek)*

### Getting to Know One Another

1. If you had your human body, but the head of an animal, what animal would you pick?

2. How are things this week?

### Into the Sermon

3a. How has the topic of tithing and church-giving been approached in past church contexts? Has it been at all? If not, what other perspectives are you aware of?

3b. What about taxes?

4. Luke suggested that the idea of giving should not be tied to only money, and should not be centered on a specific amount or percentage, but should come from a desire to offer joyful first-fruits out of love.

What are your thoughts on this concept?

5. Did Sunday's sermon raise any questions, add to any understanding, or cause any confusion you'd like cleared up?

### Into the Scriptures

7. Choose one (or two, or all three!) of the below Scriptures on tithing in the Old Testament Law to read:

Deuteronomy 14:22-29

Numbers 18: 21-32

Leviticus 27:26-33

a. Is there anything that stands out to you or provokes questions?

b. Has your understanding of Old Testament tithing (or the concept of giving) been increased or changed through reading these passages, or by something in the sermon?

### Into the World

8. Luke summarized a Christian approach to engagement with the world (and political processes) with the biblical phrase, 'wise as serpents, and harmless as doves'.

a. What are some of the challenges this approach creates, both internally for us, and in the circumstances around us?

b. **OPTIONAL SHARE:** Prayerfully reflect on (and share if willing) some of the ways that you struggle to live in this way in either direction.

### One Sentence Prayers

9. Do you have any prayer requests or updates to requests from last week to share?