

## Give and it shall be given unto you

In Luke, Jesus repeated God's Old Testament promise. He said, "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again" (Luke 6:38).



Are you giving God a chance to **PROVE** Himself



## this issue:

See how God can work when you give him a chance.

## Give God a Chance to Prove Himself

You know some people never do, and they spend a lifetime wanting and never really having. It's like a child longing for a toy that only his father can give him. You see, whatever it is that you personally want right now; that which you desire most for your life and have longed for, worked for, wished for - can come only through God.

He will provide it if you give Him a chance to prove Himself. That's what He asks you to do. Remember In Malachi 3:10 what God said He would do for you when you give to Him? "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."

By doing this, the people would see that God would open heaven's floodgates and pour out blessings on them. These blessings would include agricultural prosperity—good crops not destroyed by pests, and undamaged vines —and a good reputation among all the nations (v. 12). These blessings simply awaited their obedience

No man ever yet lost by serving God with a whole heart, nor gained by serving Him with a half one. We may compromise with a conscience for half the price, but God will not endorse the compromise; and, like Ananias and Sapphira, we shall lose not only what we thought we had purchased so cheaply, but also the price we paid for it. If we would have God "open" His treasury, we must open ours.

One cause of the barrenness of the Church is the stinginess of its members. That's clear enough, wouldn't you say? Consider your relationship with God over the past months. Are you really giving Him a chance to prove Himself? Perhaps you are. If things are well between you and God, Rejoice, delight yourself in the Lord, for He promised to give you the desires of your heart. If you need to improve things, on the other hand, perhaps you can start by repenting for tying God's hands, so He could not prove Himself to you. You can also review your financial commitment to your church.

Give God a chance to prove Himself. That's all He asks—a chance to prove Himself. Now that's worth thinking about.





See what's  
happening in  
the C.O.G.A.

## Upcoming Events

- **Leadership Meeting (Zoom)**  
March 25<sup>th</sup>- 26<sup>th</sup>
- **NW SE District Convention & AYPU Retreat**  
April 27<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>  
Location: Love Christian Center Spencer, NC.
- **Southern District 5th Sunday Meeting**  
May 29<sup>th</sup>  
Service will be held at New Beginnings in Tifton, Georgia.
- **2022 COGA Family and Church Growth Conference (Zoom)**  
Mon, July 18, 2022, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- **Southern District 5th Sunday Meeting**  
July 31<sup>st</sup>  
Service will be held at Evangelistic Tabernacle in Vienna, Georgia.