

Mission

We are a Community of Believers Passionately Pursuing Christ

Guiding Pillars

Community

Cultivate

Commission

The Big 3

Be Teachable

Be Willing

Be The Standard









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First Time Visitor? Prayer Request?

Questions About Our Church, Baptism or Serving?

Fill out a card in person or online at centerpointchurchki.com/contact-us





MEN'S BREAKFAST

Sat, November 22nd · 9am

at Kent Island Cracker Barrel

115 Blue Jay Ct, Stevensville, MD 21666

Text Rich - 410-980-6901 or Chris - 301-343-7213 to RSVP







NO CHURCH SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

DUE TO THE BAY BRIDGE RUN



FAMILY HUDDLE

EVERY 4TH SUNDAY AFTER SERVICE

Interested in making Centerpoint Kent Island your Home Church?

Join us to learn more about what it means to be part of the CPKI family, who we are as a church family and our church history.







WAYS TO GIVE

Envelope in Tithe Bucket · Online Mail · Text 84321 · CPKI Tithe.ly App

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Sermon Notes



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Malachi 3: 8 NLT

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The Purpose of the Tithe

The Spiritual and the Physical:

The original purpose of the tithe, in a biblical context, was A <u>functioned as a spiritual act, symbolizing recognition that</u> <u>all blessings come from God and expressing gratitude</u>, as seen in instances with Abrahm and Jacob.

Another purpose of the tithe, in a biblical context, was to support the Levitical priesthood

The Physical and the Spiritual:

The tithe provide for the <u>national government</u>, <u>religious</u> <u>festival</u>. and the <u>poor in ancient Israel</u>.

Tithing was a form of taxation to fund the religious and social welfare system, rather than simply a voluntary gift.





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Malachi 3: 9 NLT

- 2) The Curse
 - ⁹ You are <u>under a curse</u>, for <u>your whole nation has</u> <u>been cheating me.</u>



Malachi 3: 10 NLT

3) The Challenge

¹⁰ Bring all the tithes into the storehouse so there will be enough food in my Temple. If you do," says the LORD of Heaven's Armies, "I will open the windows of heaven for you. I will pour out a blessing so great you won't have enough room to take it in! Try it! Put me to the test!



Malachi 3: 11 NLT

4) The Covering

¹¹ Your <u>crops will be abundant</u>, for <u>I will guard</u> them from insects and disease. Your grapes will not fall from the vine before they are ripe," says the LORD of Heaven's Armies.



Malachi 3:12 NLT

5) The Celebration

12 "Then <u>all nations will call you blessed</u>, for <u>your land will be such a delight,"</u> says the LORD of Heaven's Armies.



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A. Elements of a Church Acts 2:42 NLT

⁴² All the believers <u>devoted themselves to the</u> <u>apostles' teaching</u>, and to <u>fellowship</u>, and to <u>sharing in</u> <u>meals (including the Lord's Supper)</u>, and to <u>prayer.</u>

- A. <u>Believers devoted themselves to the teaching of the word.</u>
- B. <u>Believers devoted themselves to fellowship.</u>
- C. <u>Believers devoted to eating with each other</u> including (communion).
- D. Believers devoted to praying together.



B. Workings of the Church

Acts 2: 43-45 NLT

⁴³ A deep sense of awe came over them all, and the apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders. ⁴⁴ And all the believers met together in one place and shared everything they had. ⁴⁵ They sold their property and possessions and shared the money with those in need.

- A. The evidence Holy Spirit.
- B. The Consistent sharing of the believers
- C. <u>The selling of their property and possessions came from the believers.</u>
- D. The consistent sharing of their finances from the believers.



Tithing, Offering, Living & Thriving





Take Away

Joshua 1: 9 NLT

⁹ This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."



