Invest in the Kingdom:
PRA·X·IS Four-Month Tithe Challenge

Observation:

Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.

Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Malachi 3:10, Matthew 6:21

Hypothesis:

If we obey the Biblical command to give 10% of our income back to the Giver of everything, we will be overwhelmed by the blessing our God returns to us – a blessing far exceeding any monetary gift.

Methodology:

Part 1. Preparation
Calculate your (or your family's) average gross monthly income. Say a prayer to God thanking Him for the amazing gift of these resources, and ask His help in seeing all you have as Christ's, instead of your own. Next, calculate 10% of that monthly income. This is your monthly tithe. Prayerfully consider what month you will begin the Four-Month Tithe Challenge (if you are doing this together with our sermon series "Invest in the Kingdom" then this will be January 2019). Consider what other changes will need to happen to your budget to honor this decision.

Part 2. Put It Into Practice
Examine the "Three Ways to Give" paper and choose a giving option. Give faithfully for four consecutive months. Practice prioritizing God's Kingdom - make your tithe the first check you write each month, or the first automatic withdrawal from your account. At the end of those months, consider how your faith and finances have changed.

Resources:

Read "The Generosity Ladder," the book you will receive after submitting a Commitment Card for this practice. Visit our website at www.covenantcommunitypc.org/praxis for additional information and resources and to share your stories – we want to hear from you!

Conclusion:

This *PRA·X·IS* is a major step in your spiritual journey – we are honored to pray for you during these months. May Christ "open the windows of heaven" for you as you *Invest in the Kingdom*!