## Sunday, July 21, 2019 What a real Christian looks like

What does a real Christian look like? Do they have certain characteristics that define them? In this lesson, we will examine one specific characteristic of Christ that should define every child of God.

- 1. God wants every child of God to be a giver. Matthew 20:26, 28
- 2. Tithing is the starting point for becoming a giver. Malachi 3:8–12
- **3.** Your offering is what God uses to multiply back to you. Luke 6:38, Galatians 6:7, 2 Corinthians 9:6
- 4. How to give and offering that God will multiply
  - 1. God wants you to be a willing giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7
  - 2. God wants you to give based on what you have. 2 Corinthians 8:12
  - 3. God wants you to give in faith believing for an abundant harvest. Heb. 11:6
  - 4. God wants you to be at peace with the brethren. Matthew 5:23-24
  - 5. God wants you to desire financial increase for the right reasons. James 4:2-3
  - 6. God wants you to be led in your giving. Isaiah 48:17
  - 7. God wants you to give your best. Malachi 1:6-11, NLT

<u>Conclusion:</u> God wants His children to be givers. When we give, we demonstrate Christ-likeness, advance the Kingdom, bless others, and position ourselves for a harvest.

## **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. Why is it important to God for His children to be givers?
- 2. What is the difference between tithes and offerings?
- 3. Which one of the keys to giving an offering do you need to work on?