



To tithe is to show that we care for the Church



Photos used by permission. Top two: *Teaching Pictures on the Divine Liturgy*, orthodoxed.org. Bottom left: Kristina Wenger; center and right: stockxpert.com.

Campaign of the Antiochian Orthodox Department of Christian Education to restore tithing to Orthodoxy.

*The Department gratefully acknowledges the ongoing support of **The Order of St. Ignatius** which helps to fund, in part, the programs we offer.*



To tithe is to show that we care for the Church

INTRODUCTION

Tithe: to give one out of every 10 of something; for example, one dime of every 10 dimes.

A long time ago, God asked His people to tithe. This means they gave back to God one basket out of every 10 baskets of vegetables they had grown and one sheep out of every 10 sheep from their flock. The vegetables and the sheep went to provide for the priests and to help the poor.

When they tithed, God's people showed that they loved God and cared for His people. One way that we can love God is by giving money in the collection at Church. In the lessons ahead, you will learn about what happens to the money that YOU give to God.

The money we give to God provides for the priests, helps the poor, and makes it possible for us to have a Church building to worship God.

Count the baskets of vegetables. Circle the tenth basket.



Count the sheep. Circle the tenth sheep.



Count the coins. Circle the tenth coin.



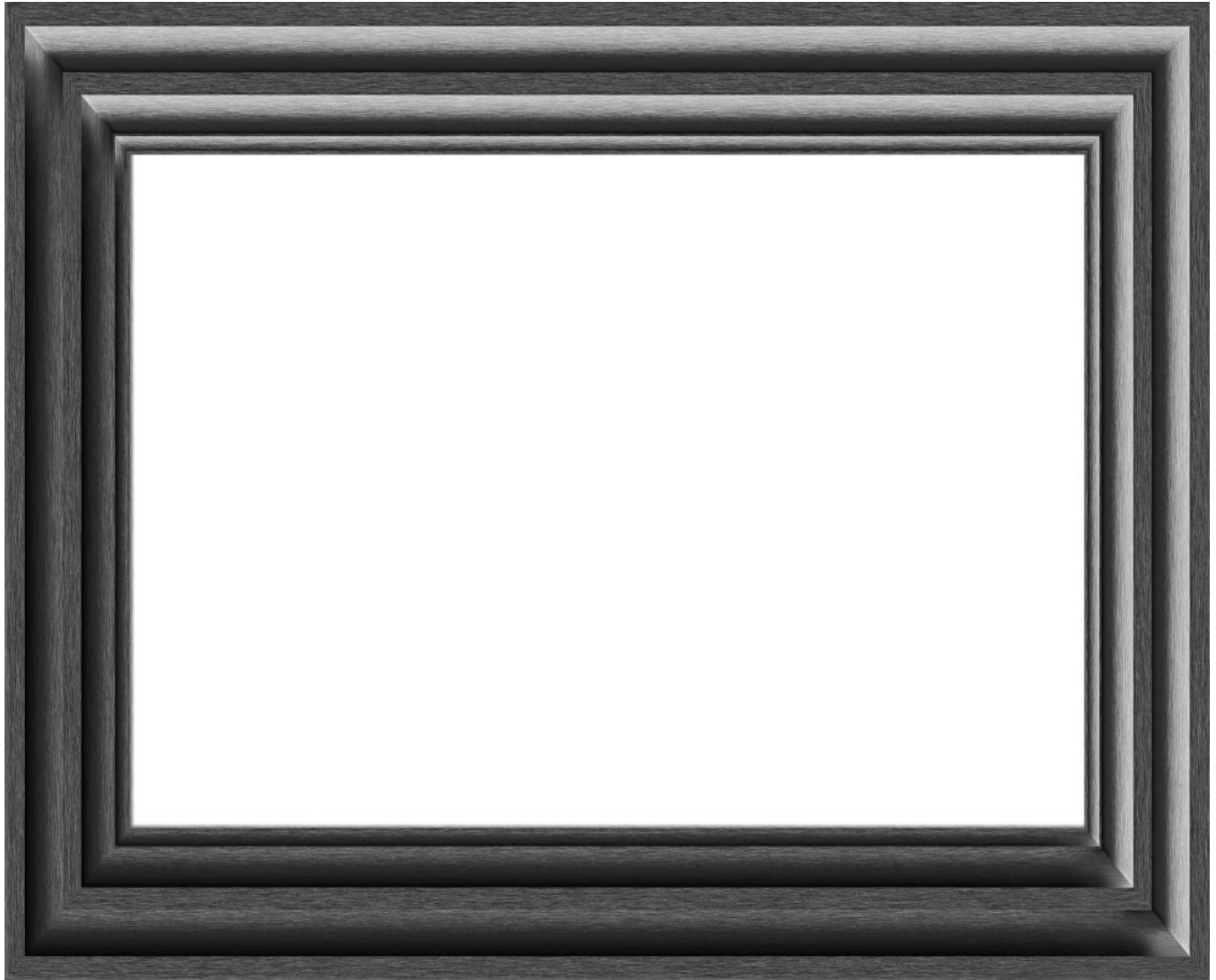
The people gave the tenth basket of vegetables, the tenth sheep, and the tenth coin back to God.

Name:

Date:



To tithe is to show that we care for the Church



When I give money in the collection, some of it helps...

Name:

Date:



To tithe is to show that we care for the Church

CONCLUSION

The money you put in the collection helps the Church. Which of these did you talk about in these lessons? What do these words remind you of? Find and circle the words below.

WORSHIP EDUCATION
FACILITY CLERGY
OUTREACH

E	C	E	D	U	C	A	T	I	O	N
A	R	W	O	R	S	H	I	P	E	F
O	F	A	C	I	L	I	T	Y	R	T
O	U	T	R	E	A	C	H	H	E	C
H	U	R	C	H	C	L	E	R	G	Y

TITHE

Can you also find the word **TITHE**?

Write below the letters that are not circled above.

“When we tithe, w_____”

Name:

Date: