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THE PRINCIPLE OF FIRST
Discussion Guide

BIG IDEA

Pastor Robert Morris, Senior Pastor of Gateway Church, reminds us that when God is first in our lives, everything else will come into order. God can never be second to anything, especially in our tithing because it requires faith to be obedient in this way. When we bring our first fruits to God, everything else is redeemed. Let us remember to return our tithes to God with grateful hearts.

SCRIPTURES USED IN THE MESSAGE

- Exodus 13:1-2, 12-15, 23:19 (NKJV)
- Romans 5:8
- Proverbs 3:9-10 (NKJV)
- Isaiah 55:8-9
- Genesis 4:3-5
- Leviticus 27:30 (NKJV)

TALK IT OVER

Choose questions that keep the discussion moving. No need to discuss every question.

- What does it mean to sacrifice your firstborn? Why is Jesus God's tithe?
- Why do you think God asks us to bring our first fruits? What makes this an expression of our faith in God's provision?
- How can I apply the principle of first to my life?

APPLICATION IDEAS

- Our thoughts are not God's thoughts, and God can never change His thinking. Meditate on Exodus 13:1-2 this week to think more and more like God as it relates to the principle of first.

PRAYER FOCUS

At Lifepoint, we pray until something happens. Make time in every group meeting to pray for one another and the larger matters of concern to your group.

- Pray that God will continue to show you how to best manage the 90% that remains after you bring your first fruits to Him.

LEADER TIPS

- Easter Sunday is quickly approaching. Begin praying now about who you will invite.