

**AS TO THE MATTER OF GIVING AS PROSPERED
A NOTE TO BE USED WITH EACH SERMON**

1. I know that when some members give \$10, \$15 or \$20 per week, they are giving as prospered, generously and or liberally and as God requires of them.

2. But in this day and time if we have a job earning a decent living, if we live in a nice home, if we drive a nice automobile, if we have plenty to eat and decent clothes to wear, and if we have a reasonable amount of spending money for other things we desire, and if we still give only \$15 or \$20 per week to support the Lord's church and it's work, how can we even begin to think we are giving as prospered as God requires?

THINK BRETHERN!

Our meeting this requirement is as necessary as baptism for the remission of sins, or as eating the Lord's Supper on the 1st day of the week! If not, why not?

3. One other thing, when you, for whatever reason, are absent on the 1st day of the week, what do you do about giving as prospered into the treasury of the local church? You still had your job that week; you still prospered that week; you were still required to give as prospered that week; the local church of which you are a member still had its expenses that week; it still had to support its work at the same level of expenses that week even if you were absent.

You see, that money you prospered the week you were absent still should be placed in the local church treasury. Being absent didn't wipe out your prosperity that week nor the Lord's requirement for you to lay by in store as prospered that week! Nor did it lessen the local church expenses that week!

Do you bring that contribution with you when you return? That is, do you make it up, when you return the next week?

If you think differently, on what basis do you do so?

