



## Is it Sin Not to Give Freewill Offerings?

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### AUDIO

### VÍDEO

sc. **01**

Joe and Carlos are watching the sermon at church when Joe pokes Carlos. Carlos keeps watching the sermon. Joe pokes him one more time.

Motion graphics animation.

sc. **02**

Carlos: Dude, I'm trying to pay attention, here.  
Joe: Oh...

Motion graphics animation.

sc. **03**

Joe pokes Carlos again.

Motion graphics animation.

sc. **04**

Carlos: What?  
Joe: Dude, when am I supposed to give Promise?  
Carlos: Whenever you see the basket.  
Joe: Yeah, I know that! But like... WHEN am I supposed to give Promise? Should I give every time there is a call in the church? And what if I don't have anything to give, am I sinning if I don't give?  
Carlos: No.  
Joe: 'Cause like... It seems easy to determine if I am dishonest with God regarding my tithes, but how can I be sure that I am doing the right thing with my Promise?  
Carlos: Dude, calm down... and listen to Carlito, here. It's actually pretty simple! There are two main types of offerings.  
Joe: Ok...

Motion graphics animation.

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Carlos: One: there is regular, or systematic offering, which we called Promise. And, two: sporadic freewill offerings! Which can be given for special appeals or projects, but only beyond and above Promise.

Joe: I see... So when should I –

Carlos: Hold on, I'm getting there. Now, our motivation to give Promise (regular and systematic offerings) should never be based on the needs of others, nor on any call made at church, or even on personal feelings or sympathies, you know what I mean?

Joe: Yeah...

Carlos: Our motivation must always be based on God's initiative to bless, and be given as first fruits every time God gives us a financial blessing, for He is ever the first to give.

Joe: So, we give when He gives...

Carlos: Exactly!

Joe: And if you have received nothing from Him, and your income is zero, your tithe and Promise will also be...

Carlos: Zero! And you are considered faithful! On the other hand, if you don't return tithe or give promise every time you have an income, you fail to recognize God as the Origin of life and of all blessings.

Joe: Fair enough! Everything makes sense, now!

Carlos: You're sure?

Joe: Yup!

Carlos: Ok.

Joe: Alright!

Carlos: Now, stop poking me.

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Motion graphics animation.

sc. 05

sc. 06

As you return your tithe and give your promise, be grateful to God, who is the origin of life and all blessings.

Text animation.

sc. 07

May we put our desires last and God first.

Text animation.