



**Alms
a command and blessings
Code: 9/SP/1**

1. General Aims of the unit

To live and practice the spiritual life according to the basics of our bible and the traditions of the church.

2. Special aims of the lesson

1. To show that tithe is the original form of alms and starting by the vows of Jacob in **Bethel** (Gen.28:10-22)
2. To show that Lord God is asking for tithe as His part in our positions (Deut.14:22 , 28-29 ; Malachi 3:8-12). The Israelites were asked to offer more than the tithe (Deut.12:6)
3. To elaborate on the commandment of alms In the NT . Jesus asked us to give alms (Luke 12:33 ; 11:41), and to give even all what we have (Matt.19:21). The Apostle's church practice this (Acts 4:32-37)
4. To elaborate on the wide meaning of Alms .
5. To elaborate on the blessings of offering the tithe to the Lord (Matt 25:31-40 ; Cor. 9:6-15)-

3.Outcomes

By the end of this lesson the teens are able to:

1. Debate the necessity of alms and its blessings in our lives here on earth and there in heaven.
2. Make a vow to pay their tithes on a regular basis as a part in their commitments in the spiritual path.
3. Dedicate part of their time and effort to serve the Lord in any capacity.

4. Verses:

2Cor. 9:6-7 ; Luke 6:38 ; Malachi 3:10

5. References:

1. Paradise of the Spirit - Alms

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Note: a lot of stories about giving alms(from the life of Saints as Anba Abraam and contemporary righteous people) is necessary to encourage the teens in this path.