

The Miracle Center of California Quick Steps

Tithing Tips & Guidelines

- 1. It is a good idea to tithe to people or organizations that you are not already responsible for or obligated to. This helps to ensure that the nature of your gift is one of unconditional love.
- 2. Each time you tithe, take a moment to ask for Higher Guidance about where the tithe should go, regardless of tax-deductibility. You will always be answered and the money will be used in miraculous ways.
- 3. If you are tithing to a family member or a close friend, tithe in such a way that a dependency is not created. In other words, tithe in different amounts each time, or break it up with gift cards, or other mediums of support. If a dependency is created, the recipient might feel disappointed if/when the tithe is discontinued. This can change the context of the gift from one of love and gratitude to one of fear or disappointment.
- 4. For 2017, you can tithe/gift an individual up to \$14,000 per year (tax free in the U.S.). If you are tithing to a couple, you can tithe up to \$28,000 (tax free), or \$14,000 to each, and if you are married, your spouse can also give each one of them \$14,000, totaling up to \$56,000 from couple to couple (tax free!). In other words, the gift will not be taxable to you or to the recipient(s). You can also pay directly for someone else's healthcare or education costs (tax free) if you pay the institution directly. It is wise to include a note stating that the money is a gift, in case the recipient needs it at a later date for tax purposes. Always check with your tax advisor for the final tax determination, qualifying amounts, and the tax status of non-taxable cash gifts.
- 5. If you tithe/gift to a company, that company will generally have to declare the money as income and will have to pay taxes on it, which dilutes your gift to the recipient. If you are intending for your gift/tithe (up to \$14,000) to go to an individual, then make your gift payable to the individual instead of their company. This helps to prevent your gift from becoming taxable to the recipient.
- 6. If you tithe/gift to a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization, your cash gift is generally tax-deductible to you and nontaxable to the receiving organization.
- 7. Keep in mind that anytime you tithe to anyone, you are tithing to yourself. We are not separate. There are no real rules regarding tithing, but the more you keep money flowing in a loving consciousness (without fear), the more it magnifies and returns in abundance.
- 8. It is in giving that you receive.

 May your gifts be returned to you multiplied many times over, and may you be forever blessed and showered in abundance!