

## I Will Pour You Out a Blessing

### PURPOSE

To help listeners understand that paying tithing allows the Lord to pour out many more blessings upon us

### MATERIALS

- A glass of juice or punch
- A drinking straw



### LESSON IDEAS

1. Tell listeners you have something good for them to taste. Dip the straw in the juice and then (while the straw is still in the juice) put your finger over the end of the hole (the liquid will stay in the straw).
  - a. Ask if someone would like to have a taste. Hold the straw over the person's mouth but don't remove your finger. No liquid will come out.
  - b. Ask, "Why isn't it coming out?"
2. Explain that today you are going to talk about tithing. Explain that like the straw, Heavenly Father has many blessings waiting for us that cannot be given until we pay our tithing.
  - a. Read Malachi 3:8-12.
  - b. When we pay our tithing it allows Heavenly Father to 'lift His finger' and pour us out a blessing.
  - c. Dip the straw in the juice again and put your finger over the end. Hold it over the person's mouth and lift your finger.
3. Share the following quote:
  - a. Elder Henry B. Eyring: "If we decide now to be a full-tithe payer and if we are steady in paying it, blessings will flow" (*Ensign*, Nov. 2005, 40).
4. Testify that as we pay our tithing Heavenly Father will pour out many additional blessings upon us.