**Can You Spare A Dime?**

(Malachi 3:8-12 KJV)

***8****Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.****9****Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.****10****Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.****11****And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts.****12****And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts.*

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mazingly in times past there has been a multiplicity of confusion about tithing because of false teachings of deceptions from our pulpits. In this modern day era there has been a mounting opposition to the sound doctrine teaching of tithing as well. The opposition is not against supporting churches, but royally against the teaching that all church members on the ministry roll— including the poorest people amongst us must begin their giving at 10% of their gross income.

Now some members don't honestly understand the purpose of tithing, and fail to realize through teaching that tithing is to finance the work of the Kingdom of God on earth, the preaching of the gospel of the Kingdom and the fulfillment of Jesus command in (Matthew 28:19-20 KJV) to disciple those of all nations that God is calling and teaching them to observe all things that Jesus commanded.

Biblically a person should pay the tithe to the church where they are being fed the Word of God. If one is immune to not attending a church but is watching a TV evangelist and being fed from him, that person should pay their tithes to that TV ministry. But if you are attending a local church and they are feeding you the Word of God, you should pay your tithes to that church ministry to help carry out God's Kingdom.

1. **The Robbing Of The Sacrifices**

As we arrive to Malachi 3:10 it commands us to—"***Bring ye all the tithes into*** "what? **"*Into the storehouse*."** What is that? That’s the church. That's God’s house. "*That there may be meat in My house, and" He says, "prove Me now herewith, sayeth the Lord of hosts if I will not open to you the gates of heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it*." Now, if you are not going to return to God what he has commanded, I recommend that you should not pay any tithe. That's right! Don't give anything for tithe. Not unless it's going to be an honest tithe. Because if you're going to be a robber you should be a good robber. And be the best professional tithe robber that you can be and get away with it.

The tithe is that tenth of our income that we give to God, which enables God alone to move on our behalf in the area of blessings. The Bible records multiple accounts of man tithing to God. God is the creator of everything that exists. He owns everything and we are simply stewards of what we have been entrusted with. The tithe principle is this; “He gives unto us, and we give back to Him one-tenth of all that He has blessed us with.”

The subject of tithing is not antiquated—in fact Abraham tithed unto Melchizedek, Isaac tithed, His son Jacob and many others also even before the law was given tithed unto God. And sadly, many Christians do not tithe because they have been taught that they are not under the law, but under grace.

While this is a true statement, God did not institute the tithe to bring us under the law, but to get blessings to His children. Abraham tithed before the law, and God blessed him supernaturally. We’re under grace that we might establish the law; not turn from it. Jesus said that He didn’t come to do away with the law, but to fulfill it. Because He fulfilled it, we are to establish it. His Words areforever settled in heaven, therefore we establish His Words upon the earth.

(Matthew 5:17-19 KJV)

***17****Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.****18****For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.****19****Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments,* ***and shall teach men so****, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever* ***shall do*** *and* ***teach them****, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.*

**Tithes moved from Agricultural to the Weightier matters of the law**