

THE DOCTRINE AND OBLIGATIONS ON TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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Malachi 3:8-10

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.

1 Corinthians 9:13-15

13 **Do ye not know that they which minister about holy things live of the things of the temple?** and they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar?

14 Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which **preach the gospel should live of the gospel.**

15 But I have used none of these things: neither have I written these things, that it should be so done unto me: for it were better for me to die, than that any man should make my glorying void.

Numbers 18:24

24 But the tithes of the children of Israel, which they offer as an heave offering unto the Lord, **I have given to the Levites to inherit:** therefore I have said unto them, Among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance.

A MAN AND WOMAN ARE OBLIGATED TO PAY THERE TITHES

60-0308 - Discernment Of Spirit

18 Every man ought to have a church home. You ought to have a place, not just to float about from pillar to post, **but have somewhere that you go to church and you call it your church, somewhere you pay your tithes, and somewhere that you help support the Cause.** Take your choice, but then don't never disfellowship the other man because he don't belong with your group. See? Discern his spirit and see if he's got the same purpose in heart, then you got fellowship one with another. You're working for one great Cause. That's the cause of Christ. I think that that is absolutely true.

61-0723E - God Being Misunderstood

146 Brother Branham, don't you feel that everyone who claims to be a Christian **should pay tithes, pay their tithes into the storehouse of the Lord?** Please give Scripture to this question.

111 All right, if you will...That is right, that the Bible said in Malachi, the 4th chapter, **“Will a man rob God? And you say, ‘Where have’ you ‘robbed Thee?’ In tithe and offerings. Bring all of your tithe and offerings into My storehouse, and prove Me,”** saith the Lord, “if I will not open up the windows of Heaven, and pour out a blessing that there'll not be room enough to receive.”

112 That's a challenge to any individual! And if I only had the time, and would not get to this little Scripture that I wish to get to in about the next ten minutes, I would like to give you a personal testimony of how that I was even hungry, and my mother and them hungry, and my daddy sick, but I took my tithes out first and give it to God, and you ought to see what happened. I have never seen in my life, that any man or a woman, that if you only make one dollar a week, will bring the ten cents of that money and put it into your storehouse, or a church where you come, if God don't bless that call me a hypocrite. Yes, sir. That's a challenge to anybody. And every Christian...That goes to this other question. Every Christian should pay tithes! That's right. It should be done.

GOD BEING MISUNDERSTOOD

44 Does a Christian not get to Heaven **because they do not pay tithe?**

45 But I do believe that every **Christian is obligated to pay tithings because it** is a commandment of the Lord. “And blessed is—are they that do all H is commandments, that they might have a right to enter into the Life, the Tree of Life.” Now, I do believe that tithe-paying is essential to a Christian experience.”

59-1129 - Let Us See God

28 But, you know, **I feel like this, that a member of a church, their first obligation is, with their tithe and offerings, is to support their church.** If you are members of these fine churches that's represented here, you support your church. That's your first duty to God. “Bring your tithe and offerings into the storehouse.” And the storehouse, you surely know what that is, it's where you get your food. So, there's where you get your spiritual food, and your obligation is to your church and not to an evangelist like me.

64-0823E - Questions And Answers #2

182 When...In Hebrews the 7th chapter, when Abraham, returning from the slaughter of the kings, met Melchisedec, he paid Him a tithe. That was Melchisedec, the King of Salem, which is King of Peace, and King of Righteousness, which was nobody but God Himself. See?

183 But when you pay tithings...Really, where you owe tithings is where you get your food. “Bring ye all your tithings into My storehouse, saith the Lord. (That right?) And prove Me wherein saith God, that if I’ll not open the windows of Heaven and pour out a blessing that you would not have room enough to receive it.” I challenge any man or woman that’s not a tithe payer to accept that.

53-0405E - Witnesses

190 “Seek ye first the Kingdom of God.” Have you ever witnessed that to be the truth? Put God first. **Pay your tithes, first. Pay everything, first. Pay God.** Pray first, at morning. Pray, all through the day. Give God the first place in everything. You’ll be a witness.

Bro Branham Said A Minister Should Receive Tithes

60-0716 - From That Time

65 It’s sweet: Thank you, my little sister, for this **tithing**. **As a minister, I’m supposed to receive tithing**. So, I thank you very kindly, my little girlfriend. And may God ever bless you.

61-1015M - Questions And Answers

179 The tenth is to be a tithing that’s to be brought into the storehouse with a promise of God to bless it. And a proof, He said, “If you don’t believe it, come and prove Me and see if I won’t do it.” See? That’s right!

180 The tithings goes into **the church for the pastor and so forth like that to live on**. And then the—the—the building funds and things like that is a separate fund altogether. Now, that—that is Scriptural. 181 One time when we get started, I want to take a night...I’ve went here some time ago before I left the tabernacle and taken about two or three weeks and just on subjects like that and went plumb through it and showed what tithings was in the church.

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TITHES IS TO GO TO THE MINISTER

61-1015M - Questions And Answers

161. Would it be wrong to use tithes on church building funds?

176 Well now, here—here's a touchy little thing for the church now. No, **correctly tithes is to go to the minister.** That's right! In the Bible they had a box they'd set at the door in the Old Testament when the—building. This box was a fund where the people put in there for the repairing...You've read it many times in the Old Testament. They kept up the buildings and things like that...All the repairs on the building was taken care out of that fund. But a tenth of that went—a tenth of the tithings—**all the tithings went to their priests, their pastors.** Yes, tithings are to go for nothing else.

177 I know people take their **tithes and give them to a widow woman.** That's wrong. If you've got anything to give the widow woman, give her, **but don't give her God's money.** That's not yours in the first place. That's God's!