

Notes used in the Message

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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.

I CORINTHIANS 9:13

» 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?

I CORINTHIANS 9:14

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

HEBREWS 7:1-5

» 1 † ¶ For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him;

» 2 † To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace;

» 3 † Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually.

» 4 † Now consider how great this man was, unto whom even the patriarch Abraham gave the tenth of the spoils.

» 5 † And verily they that are of the sons of Levi, who receive the office of the priesthood, have a commandment to take tithes of the people according to the law, that is, of their brethren, though they come out of the loins of Abraham:

II CHRONICLES 31:4-6

» 4 † Moreover he commanded the people that dwelt in Jerusalem to give the portion of the priests and the Levites, that they might be encouraged in the law of the LORD.

» 5 † And as soon as the commandment came abroad, the children of Israel brought in abundance the firstfruits of corn, wine, and oil, and honey, and of all the increase of the field; and the tithe of all things brought they in abundantly.

» 6 † And concerning the children of Israel and Judah, that dwelt in the cities of Judah, they also brought in the tithe of oxen and sheep, and the tithe of holy things which were consecrated unto the LORD their God, and laid them by heaps.

NEHEMIAH 10:37

» 37 † And that we should bring the firstfruits of our dough, and our offerings, and the fruit of all manner of trees, of wine and of oil, unto the priests, to the chambers of the house of our God; and the tithes of our ground unto the Levites, that the same Levites might have the tithes in all the cities of our tillage.

» 38 † And the priest the son of Aaron shall be with the Levites, when the Levites take tithes: and the Levites shall bring up the tithe of the tithes unto the house of our God, to the chambers, into the treasure house.

PROVERBS 3:9

- » 9 † Honour the LORD with thy substance, **and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:**
- » 10 † So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.

- TITHES ARE A RETURN
- OFFERINGS ARE GIFTS
- GROSS OR NET ? You want God to bless your gross or your net ?

1) 57-0915E HEBREWS.CHAPTER.SEVEN.1_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN HEB SUNDAY_

« 122 † Listen.

And without any contradiction the less is blessed of the better.

Certainly. Watch Who He is.

And here men that die receive tithes;...

That's the priesthood of the order of priests and preachers, and so forth. Men that receive tithe, die. See?

... but here he receiveth them, of whom it is witnessed that he liveth.

123 What would a Man take tithings for, if He had any... If He never was born, and never will die, and was from beginning to end, and--and never had no father or mother or descent, and owned the whole Heavens and earth and all in it, why would He take tithe? **Why would He ask Abraham to pay tithes? You see what a strict thing it is to pay tithes? Tithing is right. Every Christian is duty bound to pay tithe. That's right. Never has been changed.**

2) 61-0723E GOD.BEING.MISUNDERSTOOD_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN COD SUNDAY_

« 43 † 136. Can a Christian go to heaven if he or she does not pay tithe?

Now, that's one that I could not answer Scripturally.

Now, this "Father, Son, and Holy Spirit," if the minister is sincere, just let--let us know (You see?), we'd be glad... Brother Neville, myself, or Brother Beeler, or Brother Collins, or any of these ministers here who are ordained to this ministry, and so forth, can--can do so.

Now, but now: Does a Christian not get to heaven because they do not pay tithe?

I--I could not say yes or no to that. **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 His 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.**

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3) 59-1129 LET.US.SEE.GOD_ SAN.JOSE.CA V-14 N-2 SUNDAY_

« 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're 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.**

4) 60-0312 DOOR.TO.THE.HEART_ PHOENIX.AZ SATURDAY_

« E-2 † This has been a mighty short two weeks to me, and knowing that tomorrow it ends this meeting. I was just telling Brother Shore, how I appreciate his fine cooperation. And brother--all the brothers, and all the sisters, and all that's come in, the Foursquare, Church of God, Jesus' Name, chur--Faith Tabernacle, and all of them, Assemblies, and everyone, we sure appreciate your cooperation.

And now tomorrow, there's visitors here, and I want you to find these churches where you--your own church of your own denomination and go there, church of your choice, wherever you wish to

go... There'd be services at all of them tomorrow. And now, we're don't--we're--we just here, kindly, come in like this and to visit...

And, of course, we... If you have no church we'd be glad to have you tomorrow night. **But if your church is having service tomorrow night, that's your duty; that's your post of duty at your church. We never want anyone to shirk their own church. We never want anybody to take money, if they would put in their own church to sponsor one of these meetings. No, sir. That... Your tithe and offerings goes into your own church.**

60-0312 DOOR.TO.THE.HEART_ PHOENIX.AZ SATURDAY_

« E-3 † If you feel to help in one of these meetings or something, **after your own church is taken care of, that's fine.** But we never want take one cent from any church;

5) 64-0823E QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS.2_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN COD SUNDAY_

« 180 † 307. Should a person pay tithes to an individual, or should a Christian work?

Sure he should. He's the one man that will work, is a Christian.

"Pay tithes to an individual?" It depends on who the individual is. See? That's right. In Hebrews 7, the first time tithings was talked about in--in a stand that we... Wait a minute, I believe, number two question. No. Uh, uh. No. For Brother... Said, "Two questions for Brother Branham."

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?

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.

6) 60-0308 DISCERNMENT.OF.SPIRIT_ PHOENIX.AZ V-9 N-3 TUESDAY_

« 18 † A New Testament prophet is a preacher. We all know that. Just any minister that's a preacher is a prophet, a New Testament prophet, if he's prophesying, preaching, not to try to edify himself to make a big name, or to edify his organization. Which, he should be in an organization. Here I am without one, but yet preaching you should be. That's right. **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 tithe, 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.

7) 61-1015M QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN COD SUNDAY_

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

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 buildings 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.**

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.

61-1015M QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN COD SUNDAY_

« 178 † If you sent me downtown to get a loaf of bread, and you give me twenty-five cents to get the loaf of bread, and I met somebody on the street wanted something else, and I'd give him

the twenty-five cents (See?), I give them your money. If they asked me for something, let them get it over here in this pocket and give them my money; but this is your money. And a tenth of it is the Lord's. And Levi the priest could live by the tenth.

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.

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.

BRO. BRANHAM

8) 64-0823E QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS.2_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN COD SUNDAY_

« 184 † I could stand here till in the morning, telling you just what happened when I seen that, and what condition I was in. But just as loyal as I ever could, I paid tithes. And when I took my own money from the church here or from my campaigns, I'd take more... I'd give a tenth. Then I'd give it out to the ministers, and give the rest of it to ministers. Then when I couldn't do that, then the thing I did, I kept ten percent and give God ninety. And then, when the law told me I couldn't do that, I'd have to take... And if I did, it was going to be charged to it, then I had to take and bypass it into foreign missions and so forth, and then just take a wage out of that of a hundred dollars a week; and I pay my tithes from that.

Yes, sir. I believe in paying tithes. It's one of God's blessings that's proven to be a blessing. You say, "That's of the Old Testament." It is of the New Testament too. Yes, sir.

9) 54-1024 THE.UNPARDONABLE.SIN_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-26 N-8 SUNDAY_

« 239 † You can't get around the Word of God. When God says do a certain thing, that's exactly what God means to do. That's right.

So now, let's us join up together. Let us be a bunch of people here, in this little old tabernacle, not because... If you want to take that name of mine off the front out there, that... They just put that on there. Just call it anything you want to. I... don't make any difference. You can just call it "church," if you want to. It don't have to be a "Branham" Tabernacle. Branham has nothing to do with it, not at all, not a thing. They just put my name up there because the deed was in my name there and they nailed it up.

And I went down there and worked during the depression, and--and they brought their tithes in. Instead of me keeping it and not working, I put my own tithes in, and my offerings in, and the money in, and we built the tabernacle here. And it's built on the alms of the people that they give to me to make a living with. I worked and put it back in the tabernacle, and that's the reason they call it Branham Tabernacle. That don't have one thing to do with it. If it's called Neville Tabernacle, it's called anything you want to, it don't make any difference.

10) 55-0220A THE.SECOND.COMING_ PHOENIX.AZ SUNDAY_

« E-6 † And now, and then finally, we are not here to take up finances. I wish we didn't have to ask for one offering in the meeting. But just as soon as the...

I never took a offering in my life; never in my life did I ever take any offering. And--but in my church, that I was pastor there, as a Baptist minister, for twelve years I never received one penny salary, but I--I worked for others. The Lord making me healthy, I could work, so why not work and pastor. Now, that's not the standard for every pastor, because...?... a minister of the Gospel can't go out and work, and pray, and then come into his church...?... He's got the visit among his members and so forth. And the little tithings and things from members and their offerings would certainly help take care of him. And I think the laborer is worthy of his hire.

11) 58-1130 WATCHMAN.WHAT.OF.THE.NIGHT_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN SUNDAY_

« E-71 † He said, "Brother Branham, the Lord places upon my heart to give you some tithing."

"Oh," I said, "Brother, don't think of that. No," I said, "I don't need money, brother."

He said, "**But I've saved up some tithings.**" (Oh, a little money, I forget now just exactly; I believe about fifty dollars.) He said, "The Lord placed it on my heart to give it to you."

I said, "I tell you what. I receive it, and then you turn it back and give it to little Ricky over there on his--on his hospital bill, 'cause you're a preacher. I know what it is, what money means. And you a missionary, and I know that it takes money, and you got a family, and all this doctor bills. Place it right back on little Ricky's bill."

He said, "I don't want to do that, Brother Branham. It ain't to pay doctors, it's to pay ministers." And I said, "Yes, but I'm turning it back for you." And I refused it.

12) 59-0412E WHAT.HEAREST.THOU.ELIJAH_ LOS.ANGELES.CA SUNDAY_

« E-4 † **I take your tithes and pay my way.** And then, I know then it's spent for the Kingdom of God. When I shall answer at the day of the judgment I can say with a true heart I did the best with it I knowed how. And that's the same way these offering will go here.

13) 56-0129 THE.SUPERNATURAL_ OWENSBORO.KY SUNDAY_

« E-2 † I was just looking across the street there where you're going to build a new church, or something over there, that he was telling me about this morning at the breakfast table. And that's wonderful, seeing you--you progress like that. **That just shows that you're--you're backing up the right thing. And God's servant is trying his best to give the best he can to God's people. I'd... Every congregation will appreciate a pastor like that, that you see what your finances, your tithes, your offerings, and so forth, you are... He's going straight into the Kingdom of God, to embetter the Kingdom of God, make a better place, not for himself, for you. He--He's got the sheep on his mind, the shepherd always has.**

14) 59-0525 IMAGES.OF.CHRIST_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN MONDAY_

« E-56 † O Lord, You're God, and You're God forever more. And we are--we're so happy to know that You promised that You would have a remnant when You come to the earth. Regardless of what goes or comes, there's going to be people that's going to be ready. **And we know that there's a tithing that man gives to God, and there's a tithing amongst the people. Perhaps maybe we'd say a tenth of all the world's harvest, through the ages will be that elected that's been called.**