

I. PAY TITHING

- GENERALLY CALCULATED AS BEING 10 PERCENT OF YOUR INCREASE

Hebrews 7:1-9 – “To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all;...”

Alma 10:8,9 - “And it was this same Melchisedec to whom Abraham paid tithes: yea, even our father Abraham paid tithes of one tenth part of all that he possessed.”

- PAYING TITHES WAS PRACTICED THROUGHOUT TIME, AND IS GIVING BACK TO GOD A PORTION OF WHAT HE HAS GIVEN YOU.

Genesis 14:17-20 – “And he gave him tithes of all.”

Exodus 23:16-19 – “The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring into the house of the Lord thy God.”

Leviticus 27:30-33 – “And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's...”

Deuteronomy 12:6 – “And thither ye shall bring your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, and your tithes, “

Numbers 18:24-28 – “But the tithes of the children of Israel, which they offer as an heave offering unto the Lord”

Nehemiah 13: 10-14 – “Then brought all Judah the tithe of the corn and the new wine and the oil unto the treasuries.”

Proverbs 15:16 – “Better is little with the fear of the Lord than great treasure and trouble therewith”

Amos 4:4 – “... bring your sacrifices every morning, and your tithes ”

Malachi 3:7-11- “Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.”

- OBEDIENCE IN TITHES BRINGS BOUNTIFUL BLESSINGS

3 Nephi 11:9-13 - “Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in my 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.”

Proverbs 3:9,10 – “Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.”

- TITHES ARE NOT TO BE DONE IN PLACE OF ALL THE OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES OF A CHRISTIAN RATHER IN CONJUNCTION

Matthew 23:23 / Luke 11:42 –. “But woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass over judgment and the love of God: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.”

II. GIVING OF OFFERINGS

- WHAT ARE OFFERINGS? (GOD DESIRES US TO GENEROUSLY AND FREELY GIVE A PORTION OF YOUR RICHES TO HELP OTHERS AND IS DONATED ABOVE THE PAYING OF TITHING)

Luke 6:30-34 “Give to every man that asketh of thee;. And if ye lend to them of whom ye hope to receive, what thank have ye...”

1 Corinthians 16:1,2 "...concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye. [1 Cor 16:2] Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, ..."

Galatians 6:9-10 - "...let us not be weary in well doing...As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men,..."

➤ TO BE GIVEN FREELY, QUIETLY AND WITH WITHOUT GRUDGING

Genesis 4:3,4 "Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the Lord. And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the Lord had respect unto Abel and to his offering: "

Luke 21:1-4 "...that this poor widow hath cast in more than they all..."

2 Corinthians 9:6-12 - "... soweth bountifully ...not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver..."

Matthew 6:1-4 & 3 Ne 5:93-96 "Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth: That thine alms may be in secret..."

3 Nephi 5:86-88 "Give to him that asketh thee,... turn thou not away."

➤ THE INTENT OF AN OFFERING TO SUPPORT THE MISSIONARIES, SUPPORT THE POOR, CLOTH THE NAKED, FEED THE HUNGRY, MINISTER UNTO THE SICK AND AFFLICTED

Luke 3:9-11 "He that hath two coats, let him impart to him that hath none; and he that hath meat, let him do likewise"

Romans 15:25,26 "...to make a certain contribution for the poor saints ..."

Luke 10:1-12 After these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two ... Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes: ... And into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you..."

2 Corinthians 11:7-9 ...I robbed other churches, taking wages of them, to do you service. ...for that which was lacking to me the brethren which came from Macedonia supplied: ..."

Jacob 2:22-24 be familiar with all, and free with your substance, ...for the intent to do good; to clothe the naked, and to feed the hungry, and to liberate the captive, and administer relief to the sick, and the afflicted."

Mosiah 9:60-64 "...the church should impart of their substance, every one according to that which he had; ...they should impart of their substance, of their own free will and good desires towards God, and to those priests that stood in need, yea, and to every needy, naked soul., imparting to one another, both temporally and spiritually, according to their needs and their wants."

Mosiah 2:43,44 "I would that ye should impart of your substance to the poor, every man according to that which he hath, such as feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting the sick, and administering to their relief, both spiritually and temporally, ..."

Alma 1:39,40 "And they did impart of their substance every man according to that which he had, to the poor, and the needy, and the sick, and the afflicted;"

Alma 16:223-225 "And now behold, my brethren, I say unto you, Do not suppose that this is all; for after ye have done all these things, if ye turn away the needy, and the naked, and visit not the sick and afflicted, and impart of your substance if ye have, to those who stand in need"