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World's Economy is based on trends and fluctuates with the mood of the market - FEAR

God's Economy is based on God's character, His Word, and Spiritual Laws that never change - FAITH

**KEY #1** I Must Believe That It's God Will For Me To PROSPER

(ref) Ps 35:27 ... Who has pleasure in the prosperity of His servant."

PROSPERITY OT:7965 shalowm (shawlome'); or shalom (shaw-lome'); safe, well, happy, health, prosperity, peace:

## Why does God want me to PROSPER?

(ref.) Deut 8:18 "...He who gives you power (wealth) to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant...

## Luke 16:10-11

**10** He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much.

**11** Therefore if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?

**MAMMON G3126** mammonas wealth

Trusting and believing God in the area of finances is the "least" use of our faith

**KEY #2** Operate the law of "Sowing and Reaping."

**Key #3 Operate the Law of Genesis** 

The Law of Genesis: **Everything produces after its kind** (life comes from life)

gen-e-sis noun (dictionary) the origin or mode of formation of something.

source, root, beginning, start

This Law of Genesis can override the **Promise of PROSPERITY and minimize** the Law of Sowing and Reaping

**Kev #4 Allowing God's Heart toward Charity** 

> **KEY #5 Operate The Law of the Tithe**

Question: What order of priesthood is Jesus' ministry and for how long?

Heb 6:19-20

19 This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil.

20 where the forerunner has entered for us, even Jesus, having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

Heb 7:11 Therefore, if perfection were through the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need was there that another priest should rise according to the order of Melchizedek, and not be called according to the order of Aaron?

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17 For He testifies:

"You are a priest forever
According to the order of
Melchizedek."

<u>Answer</u>: The order of Melchizedek, forever.

**Question:** What does the Word of God reveal to us about Melchizedek?

Heb 7:1-4

1 For this Melchizedek, 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 translated "king of righteousness," and then also king of Salem, meaning "king of peace,"

- 3 without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like the Son of God, remains a priest continually.
- 4 Now consider how great this man was, to whom even the patriarch **Abraham gave a tenth of the spoils**.

Gen 14:18-20

18 Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out **bread and wine**; he was the priest of God Most High.

19 And **he blessed him** and said:
"Blessed be Abram of God Most High,
Possessor of heaven and earth;
20 And blessed be God Most High,
Who has delivered your enemies into
your hand."

And he gave him a tithe of all.

Answer: Melchizedek blessed
Abraham, received his tithe, and
shared bread and wine (a type of
communion) with him. The tithe is a
sacrament used in a covenant
transaction, which allowed
Melchizedek (Jesus) to empower
Abraham to prosper.

## **Closing:**

**Question:** Is tithing only Old Testament Law?

Gal 3:16-17

16 Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but as of one, "And to your Seed," who is Christ. 17 And this I say, that the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed before by God in Christ, that it should make the promise of no effect.

Matt 23:23 "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law: justice and mercy and faith. These you ought to have done, without leaving the others undone.

Answer: Tithing pre-dates the Law by at least 430 years, and Jesus revealed to us that tithing is in the same category as Justice, Mercy, and Faith (which are not just Old Testament).

Next week we will finish the Q & A on The (Spiritual) Law of the Tithe