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

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The Law of Genesis: Everything produces after its kind

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<u>Question:</u> What order of priesthood is Jesus' ministry and for how long?

Heb 6:20 ...Jesus, having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

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

<u>Question</u>: What does the Word of God reveal to us about Melchizedek?

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.

<u>Answer:</u> 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.

> <u>Question</u>: 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.

<u>Answer</u>: 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).

Question: What are some of the benefits of the Law of the Tithe? Mal 3:6, 8-12 6 "For I am the LORD, I do not change...."

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8 Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, 'In what way have we robbed You?' In tithes and offerings. 9 You are cursed with a curse, For you have robbed Me,

Even this whole nation.

10 Bring all the tithes into the storehouse,

That there may be food in My house, And try Me now in this,"

Says the LORD of hosts,

"If I will not open for you the windows of heaven

And pour out for you such blessing That there will not be room enough to receive it.

11 "And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes,

So that he will not destroy the fruit of your ground,

Nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field,"

Says the LORD of hosts;

12 And all nations will call you blessed,

For you will be a delightful land," Says the LORD of hosts.

Answer: There will be so much blessing that you won't be able to receive it all and the Lord will rebuke the devourer so that the fruit of your blessings remain.

<u>Question</u>: What is the Storehouse?

<u>STOREHOUSE</u> H214 'ôtsâr *o-tsaw'* From <u>H686</u>; a *depository:* - armory, cellar, garner, store(-house), treasure (-house) (-y).

from H686 'âtsar aw-tsar

A primitive root; to *store* up: - (lay up in) store, (make) treasure (-r).

(GNB) Mal 3:10 Bring the full amount of your tithes to **the Temple**, so that there will be plenty of food there. Put me to the test and you will see that I will open the windows of heaven and pour out on you in abundance all kinds of good things.

(MSG) Bring your full tithe to the **Temple treasury** so there will be ample provisions in my Temple. Test me in this and see if I don't open up heaven itself to you and pour out blessings beyond your wildest dreams.

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Jos 6:19&24 ... the treasury (H214) of the LORD."

1Ch 9:26 ...treasuries (H214) of the house of God.
1Ki 7:51 ...the treasuries (H214) of the house of the LORD.

Neh 12:44 ...the rooms of the storehouse (H214) for the offerings, the firstfruits, and the tithes,

The (Spiritual) Law of the Tithe is specific about where & how much

<u>Question</u>: What else does the Word of God reveal to us about the law of the tithe?

Lev 27:30-32

30 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. It is holy to the LORD**.

31 If a man wants at all to redeem any of his tithes, he shall add one-fifth (20%) to it.

32 And concerning the tithe of the herd or the flock, of whatever passes under the rod, the tenth one shall be **holy to the LORD.**

<u>Answer</u>: The Tithe is the Lord's and it is Holy.

<u>Question</u>: What is God's purpose for the tithe?

Num 18:21-24

21 "Behold, I have given the children of Levi all the tithes in Israel as an inheritance in return for the work which they perform, the work of the tabernacle of meeting.

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24 For the tithes of the children of Israel, which they offer up as a heave offering to the LORD, I have given to the Levites as an inheritance; therefore I have said to them, 'Among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance.'"

25 Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

26 "Speak thus to **the Levites**, and say to them: 'When you take from the children of Israel the tithes which I have given you from them as your inheritance, then you **shall offer up a heave offering of it to the LORD, a tenth of the tithe.**

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31 You may eat it in any place, you and your households, for it is your reward (wages) for your work in the tabernacle of meeting. 32 And you shall bear no sin because of it, when you have lifted up the best of it. But you shall not profane the holy gifts of the children of Israel, lest you die.'"

<u>Answer</u>: To support His ministry with holy revenue. The Tithe is designated for consumption.

CLOSING

Re cap: The Law of the Tithe

1. Abraham tithed to Melchizedek (who is the Old Testament manifestation of Jesus).

2. The law of the tithe is a spiritual law and pre-dates the law by at least 430 years.

3. Jesus revealed that the spiritual law of tithing transcends the Law by revealing to us that tithing is in the same category as Justice, Mercy, & Faith.

4. The tithe belongs to God and it is Holy.

5. Returning the Lord's tithe, which is how we operating the law of the tithe, is a covenant exchange that puts us into financial covenant with God. 6. The tithe is designated for consumption. It's God's system to support His ministry.

7. His ministers are not excluded from the law of the tithe.