

GIVING TO THE KING



Kingdom Giving

Because giving to the King is different than giving
to the Church Building Fund.

Equipping Ekklesia
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The #1 question I get from those transitioning from Church to Ekklesia:



“What should we do about giving our tithes and offerings?”

Giving to the King is different than giving to the Church “Building Fund.”

If your giving is motivated by wanting to get a tax credit in return, are you really giving?

Where did the early Christians give their offerings?

Let's return to the original model!

What does the Bible say?

It is our book for **faith** and **practice**.

Giving A Tithe To The King Was Initiated Before The Law Was Given

“Then Melchizedek **King of Salem** brought out bread and wine; he was the priest of God Most High. And he blessed him and said: “Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand.” **And he (Abram) gave him Melchizedek) a tithe of all.**” Genesis 14:18-20 NKJV

- Abraham initiated tithing to the King approximately 400 years **BEFORE** Moses was given the 10 Commandments.
- “**Tithe**” is middle English for 1/10 or 10%
- ESV & NIV = “**Tenth**”
- Properly understood, tithing is **not** legalism!



Melchizedek: A Type of Jesus Christ Our King

Hebrews 7:1-10 NKJV

- For this Melchizedek, **King of Salem**, priest of the Most High God, met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, and to him **Abraham apportioned a tenth part of everything**. He is first, by translation of his name, **King of righteousness**, and then he is also **King of Salem**, that is, **King of peace**. He is without father or mother or genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but **resembling the Son of God** he continues a priest forever. See how great this man was to whom Abraham the patriarch gave a tenth of the spoils!



**Abraham initiated giving
to the King!**

The Lord Has Commanded: The Tithe Belongs To Him

“Every tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the trees, is the LORD’s; it is holy to the LORD. If a man wishes to redeem some of his tithe, he shall add a fifth to it. And every tithe of herds and flocks, every tenth animal of all that pass under the herdsman’s staff, shall be holy to the LORD. One shall not differentiate between good or bad, neither shall he make a substitute for it; and if he does substitute for it, then both it and the substitute shall be holy; it shall not be redeemed.” These are the commandments that the Lord commanded Moses for the people of Israel on Mount Sinai. Leviticus 27:30-34 NKJV



In The Revelation The Remnant is Defined

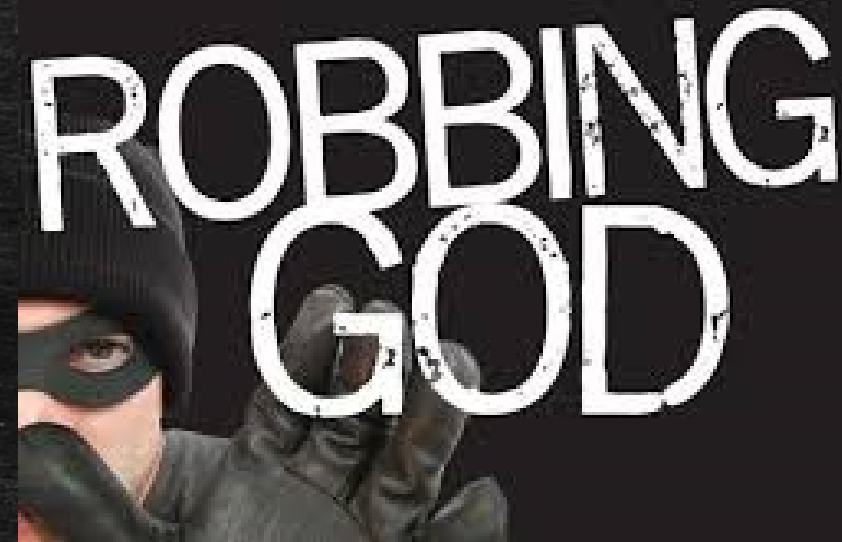
- 'And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which **keep the commandments** of God, and **have the testimony of Jesus Christ.**' Revelation 12:17 KJV
- 'Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that **keep the commandments of God**, and the **faith of Jesus.**' Revelation 14:12

The Sealed & Protected Remnant of The Revelation:

- 1. Those who keep the Commandments of God.
- 2. Those who hold fast to their testimony of faith in Jesus.

Not Tithing Is Robbing God Himself

“Will a man rob God? **Yet you have robbed Me!** But you say, ‘In what way have we robbed You?’ **In tithes and offerings.** You are cursed with a curse, For you have robbed Me, *Even* this whole nation. 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*. “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; “And all nations will call you blessed, For you will be a delightful land,” Says the LORD of hosts.
Malachi 3:8-12 NKJV



Our King Promises: Provision & Protection

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Dream:

“The Original Contract”

What Did Jesus Say?

- Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you.” Luke 6:38 NKJV



What Did Paul Say?

- Read all of II Cor. 9 Passion Translation
- “But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.”
II Corinthians 9:6-8 NKJV



What Did the Ekklesia Practice?

- “I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’” Acts 20:35 NKJV
- “I haven’t been after your money or any of your possessions. You all know that I’ve worked with my hands to meet my own needs and the needs of those who’ve served with me. I’ve left you an example of how you should serve and take care of those who are weak. For we must always cherish the words of our Lord Jesus, who taught, ‘Giving brings a far greater blessing than receiving.’” Acts 20:33-35 TPT



What Did the Ekklesia Practice?

- 'Now the multitude of those who believed were of one heart and one soul; neither did anyone say that any of the things he possessed was his own, but they had all things in common. And with great power the apostles gave witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And great grace was upon them all. **Nor was there anyone among them who lacked;** for all who were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the proceeds of the things that were sold, and **laid them at the apostles' feet; and they distributed to each as anyone had need.'** Acts 4:32-35



How Tithes & Offerings Are Used

Traditional Churches (Church Giving)

- 40% - Church Building, Mortgage, Maintenance, Fire & Liability Insurance, Utilities
- 40% - Staff Salaries & Programs
- 10% - Missions
- 10% - Denominational Support

OKM Home Congregations (Kingdom Giving)

- 80% - 9 Gift Checks sent to Bless & Encourage the Apostolic Team to Expand the Kingdom through their ministry of Training and Coaching. The gift amount we sent for the past two years was recently cut in half.
- 20% - Equipping the Saints, through Broadcast Media (19 Zoom Pro Accounts, Equipping Ekklesia Broadcast, More Than Conquerors Broadcast, Two Websites: OKMtraining & .tv, and soon Ekklesia Radio). Budget Need = \$9,000 / Month
- No building, no staff salaries, no insurance policy, no programs, no denominational support.

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