

MEDITATIONS ON THE TRUE CHRISTIAN LIFE

....*"This book of the law [the Word of God] shall not depart from [always be in] your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful [take heed] to do according to all that is written in it; for THEN you will make your way prosperous, and THEN you will have success".... Joshua 1:8 NASB*

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* Fear - fear that we are not going to have enough - holds us back from being faithful to the Word of God concerning tithes and gifts.

Tithing is nothing more than us manifesting that we are in partnership with God. Tithing recognizes that everything He puts in our hands comes from Him, and we bless Him by giving Him back that which belongs to Him as our "financial partner" in Covenant. Tithing is a Divine plan ordained by God. It is not a "legalistic form" or ritual required by the law. It is an "outward" expression of the Covenant relationship we have with God, and it is God's method of pouring out His blessings upon us.

When you give tithes, you are not giving them to a church, a denomination, a ministry, or to any man; you are giving them to God. Christ, as the "High Priest" of the Most High God, receives them, as Melchizedek received "Abram's" tithes, and presents them to God on our behalf. By virtue of His Divine authority as our High Priest, Christ then pronounces blessings upon us and releases God's "promised" blessings into our lives!

....*"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in My house, and test 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 a blessing until it overflows. Then I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of the ground; nor will your vine in the field cast its grapes, says the LORD of hosts. All the nations will call you blessed, for you shall be a delightful land, says the LORD of hosts".... Malachi 3:10-12 NASB*