

TITHING

Introduction

Rom 6:14 “you are not under law but under grace”

Gal 5:18 “If you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law”

Example Tithing

I Old testament Principle - The Mosaic Law had three distinct tithes

Note: they were mandatory not optional

1. Support the Tribe of Levi 10%
Hum 18:21-24
Deut 14:27
2. Provision for the Festivals and Sacrifices 10%
Deut 12:5-7, 10-19
Deut 14:22-26
3. Support of the Poor 10%/3
Deut 14:28-29

Note: Storehouse tithing

Mal 3:8-10 (Food in my house-Temple)

II. Abraham paid tithes—before The Mosaic Law

Gen 14:17-20

1. Abraham was not commanded-He freely gave
2. Abraham gave it to an individual-not a storehouse
3. Abraham is recorded to have tithed only once in his life
4. Abraham did not give a tenth of his wealth, or income; he gave a tenth of the spoils of war

III. New testament references on tithing

Mt 23:23, Lk 11:42, Lk 18:9-12 Pharisees- under the law

Heb 7:4-10, Levi received Tithes-under the Law

IV New Testament principles of giving I Cor 16:1-2

1. Systematic-first day of the week
2. Individual-let each one of you
3. Privately-put aside and save
4. Proportionately-as he may prosper
5. Note: versus 3 & 4

In the Old Testament, failure to pay brought wrath and judgement

In the New Testament, failure to give liberally under grace results in loss of reward

