

Present Day Idol: Tithes

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In this short book, we are going to look at tithes and how pastors have made this an idol. Just so we have a working knowledge of idolatry, let's look at what and idol is:

With that being said, an idol is defined as:

noun

- 1. a material object, esp a carved image, that is worshipped as a god
- 2. Christianity Judaism any being (other than the one God) to which divine honour is paid
- 3. a person who is revered, admired, or highly loved

We also have the origin of this word, so let's take a look at it here:

- mid-13c., "image of a deity as an object of (pagan) worship,"
- from Old French idole "idol, graven image, pagan god,"
- from Late Latin idolum "image (mental or physical), form," used in Church Latin for "false god,"
- from Greek eidolon "appearance, reflection in water or a mirror," later "mental image, apparition, phantom," also "material image, statue," from eidos "form" (see oid).
- Figurative sense of "something idolized" is first recorded 1560s (in Middle English the figurative sense was "someone who is false or untrustworthy"). Meaning" a person so adored" is from 1590s.

From the origins of the word, you see the words 'pagan', 'false god', 'statue', so we can correctly infer that and idol is NOT a good thing that a Christian should be looking at or dealing with. The Lord has given strict instructions about idols as you can see in scripture here:

Leviticus 26:1 - Ye shall make you no idols nor graven image, neither rear you up a standing image, neither shall ye set up any image of stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for I am the LORD your God.

Deuteronomy 5:9 - Thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me,

The devil knows this, so he sets up idols so the worship will go to HIM, as this is what he wanted from the time when iniquity was found in him. Worship means that much to the devil, and he will do anything he can to get those creations of the Lord to give HIM their worship.

So what is worship?

Worship is a public show of deep respect and devotion towards someone or something that you are in awe of/have full admiration for that you show profound, intense love and honour to in recognition of the qualities of holiness, excellence and wisdom.



Here again we have pastors who are using the church as their own personal piggy bank, tellina they are their congregation that if they do not tithe, they are robbing God. If you haven't noticed, the Lord of Hosts and the Lord Jesus Christ really do NOT care about money, as this is not important to them. So how is it that people are giving 10% of their salaries to a church that is running a scam using the Bible?

If these people would read their Bibles and ask the Holy Ghost

for understanding and revelation, they would know that the tithe was an agricultural environment, where the people who grew crops set aside 10% of their crops to feed the Levitical priests, who could not farm for themselves, as their job was to make offerings to the Lord of Hosts for the people. The 'tithe' was to provide food for the Levitical Priests so they could eat!! Let's take a closer look at the trick that the pastors use to literally steal money from the people in the church.

The trick the pastors use: The trick is using God to con people out of money for a tithe, which is used to enrich the pastor(s) for their own gain. These Pastors use bible verses from Malachi, and this is the main scripture they use to steal from YOU, Christian:

Malachi 3:8 - Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.



Then the pastors will stop there, and the people whom they are talking to do NOT want to offend God, so they pony up and pay what the pastor is asking them to pay.



Then the pastors will play up the curse part if there is any resistance, telling the people that they will be cursed if they do NOT pay their tithes, as you can see here:

Malachi 3:9 - Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.

Many pastors have gotten filthy rich using this tactic, as they then soften the blow by telling the people that God is going to open the windows of Heaven and pour out a blessing that they will not be able to contain, using scripture to seal their larceny. They use this scripture:

Malachi 3:10 - Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.





What they don't tell you is what the Lord is talking about, which is in Malachi verse 11:

Malachi 3:11 - And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.

The pastors conveniently hold this verse back because they know you are ignorant of what the Bible says. As you can clearly see, the Lord is talking about FOOD and how He is going to keep the devil away from the food and not steal it or destroy the fruits of your ground.

That is very important, Christian, because this scripture is NOT talking about money, but what has been grown in the ground. If you continue reading the scripture, you will see the Lord talks about fruit from a vine. Does your salary grow on a vine, Christian?



Anyone using this tactic on people is **dishonest**, and in effect, the Lord will curse those who take advantage of people in this manner. **All of those prosperity pastors and the pastors who use this tactic are cursed**, and all of the money and the riches they have obtained through their larceny is their reward, **as they are ALL damned** unless they ask for repentance and give back all that they have taken deceitfully.





This is a tithe...

... and this is NOT

The pastors conveniently do NOT tell the people in the pews that tithing as the Bible defines it has been done away with because tithing was 10% of their crops, not money. The 10% of their crops was put aside for the Levitical Priests, as they had to stay in the temple 24/7 to take care of the prayer requests and offerings to the Lord of Hosts on behalf of the people. The priests were not able to grow crops because of their duties in the Temple. The 10% of the crops not only fed the priests, but it also fed the poor, strangers and travelers passing through that would be hungry. **Tithes was NEVER about money**, Christian, and it was the twisting of scripture by pastors and seminarians to get the money they wanted out of the 'giving units' in their churches.



These pastors are also guilty of leading people astray, and they WILL pay for that. Now what does the Bible say about thieves and liars?

1 Corinthians 6:9-10 - Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

The next verse shows that you can be freed from that curse, as you can see here:

1 Corinthians 11 - And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

As you can see, the Pastors have twisted the scriptures for their own gain. Since there is a new Covenant, known as the New Testament, the tithe is NOT needed anymore, especially since there are no more Levitical priests! Today, the Lord wants cheerful givers, as you can see from scripture here:

2 Corinthians 9:7 - Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

In the New Testament, giving and being a servant is highly honoured by the Lord, and those who give because they want to, the Lord will honour that. There is no need to berate people and tell them that they will be cursed if they do not give their tithe of 10% of their salary.



Now, the pastors that are running this tithe scam has been given time to repent, but many of them will not. Why? It is because they love money more than they love the Lord Jesus Christ, and they are going to perish as thieves. What does the Lord say will happen to those who steal?

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Now, the Holy Ghost is NOT going to be anywhere near these types of churches, so if you are under a pastor doing this, The Lord Jesus Christ is telling you to **get out of those churches NOW, Christian.**



These churches have made tithing an Idol that they push on their congregants, making them believe that they will be cursed by God because you did not give them 10% of your salary/income monthly.



The time has come for you to turn away from this idolatry, and to get with the Lord Jesus Christ and have Him give you the approval to pay a tithe or not. Have Jesus tell you WHO you are to pay and in what amount. Jesus will make sure that your tithe monies go to the people or things that Jesus wants to take care of and NOT into the pastor's pocket for more cars, gold, clothes, jewelry or a jet.

In fact, get with Jesus and have Him help you with your finances, as you are responsible for using those finances wisely. Let Jesus Govern your finances and you will see how the devil is stealing from you left and right. Ask Jesus to help you get your recompense whenever you see the devil stealing, as there are prayers that you can pray that will allow you to force the devil to give back what he has stolen from you with a 7-fold recompense. Now you can resist the devil as Jesus has mandated all followers of Christ to do, and make the devil leave you alone.



As always, take NOTHING that you have seen here in this book as the truth. It is YOUR responsibility to study and check out everything that you see and hear, and you have an advocate in the Lord Jesus Christ who will help you if you would just ask Him.

Take this upon yourself, Christian, as **YOU** need to get **YOUR** Bible, **YOUR** concordance, **YOUR** dictionary, **YOUR** pens/pencils, **YOUR** notepad and then **YOU** need to seek out the Lord Jesus Christ and ask Him to help **YOU** so **YOU** can make it into His Kingdom, since it will be **YOU** standing alone in front of Jesus when **YOU** are being judged.

It is **YOUR** responsibility to make sure **YOU** are in the faith and that **YOU** have completed **YOUR** sanctification during the sanctification process and **YOU** have gotten **YOUR** forgiveness and **YOU** have repented of all of **YOUR** sins before **YOU** are judged by Jesus.

Scripture tells us that hell will enlargen itself to accommodate all of the people who will be sent there because of idols like the pope, as you can see in scripture here:

Isaiah 5:14 - Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it.

Take this as a warning, Christian, as the Lord Jesus Christ is NOT desperate for people, as **there were only 8 people** who got on the ark before the flood, and **only 2 people** from the Hebrews from Egypt made it into the Promised Land.

Be wise, and stay IN Jesus so you are not lost.



Here is Our Challenge to all of you:

We challenge you to go to Jesus directly **RIGHT NOW** and ask Him if what is shown here is true. Use this as a means to start a conversation with The Lord Jesus Christ and sit with Him and ask Him questions. Start with **(asking out loud)**:

"Jesus, is what I just read true?"

He will answer you, Christian; use this as an opportunity to start the conversation with the Lord Jesus Christ. Keep talking with Him. Get to know Him and He will start to reveal Himself to you.

You need to find out for yourself if what you support or believe is true, and what better way to find out than to ask the Lord Himself? You need to find out for yourself and work out **YOUR** salvation for **YOU**, as the scriptures tell us to.