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**Malachi 3:6–12 (NKJV)** <sup>6</sup> “For I am the LORD, I do not change; therefore, you are not consumed, O sons of Jacob. <sup>7</sup> Yet from the days of your fathers You have gone away from My **ordinances** and have not kept them. Return to Me, and I will return to you,” Says the LORD of hosts. “But you said, ‘In what way shall we return?’ <sup>8</sup> “Will a man rob God?

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**Malachi 3:6–12 (NKJV)** But you said, ‘In what way shall we return?’<sup>8</sup> “Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, ‘In what way have we robbed You?’ In tithes and offerings.<sup>9</sup> You are cursed with a curse, For you have robbed Me, Even this whole nation.<sup>10</sup> “Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house,

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**Malachi 3:6–12 (NKJV)** 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*.<sup>11</sup> “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;<sup>12</sup> And all nations will call you blessed, For you will be a delightful land,” Says the LORD of hosts.

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# 1. TITHING IS A TEST

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**Matthew 5:17-20 (NKJV)** <sup>17</sup>“Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup>For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.

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**Matthew 5:17-20 (NKJV) <sup>19</sup> Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.**

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**Matthew 5:17-20 (NKJV) <sup>20</sup> For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds *the righteousness* of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven.**

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**Matthew 5:21-22 (NKJV)** <sup>21</sup>“You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder, and whoever murders will be in danger of the judgment.’ <sup>22</sup>But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment.

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**Matthew 5:27-28 (NKJV)** <sup>27</sup>“You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘*You shall not commit adultery.*’ <sup>28</sup>But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

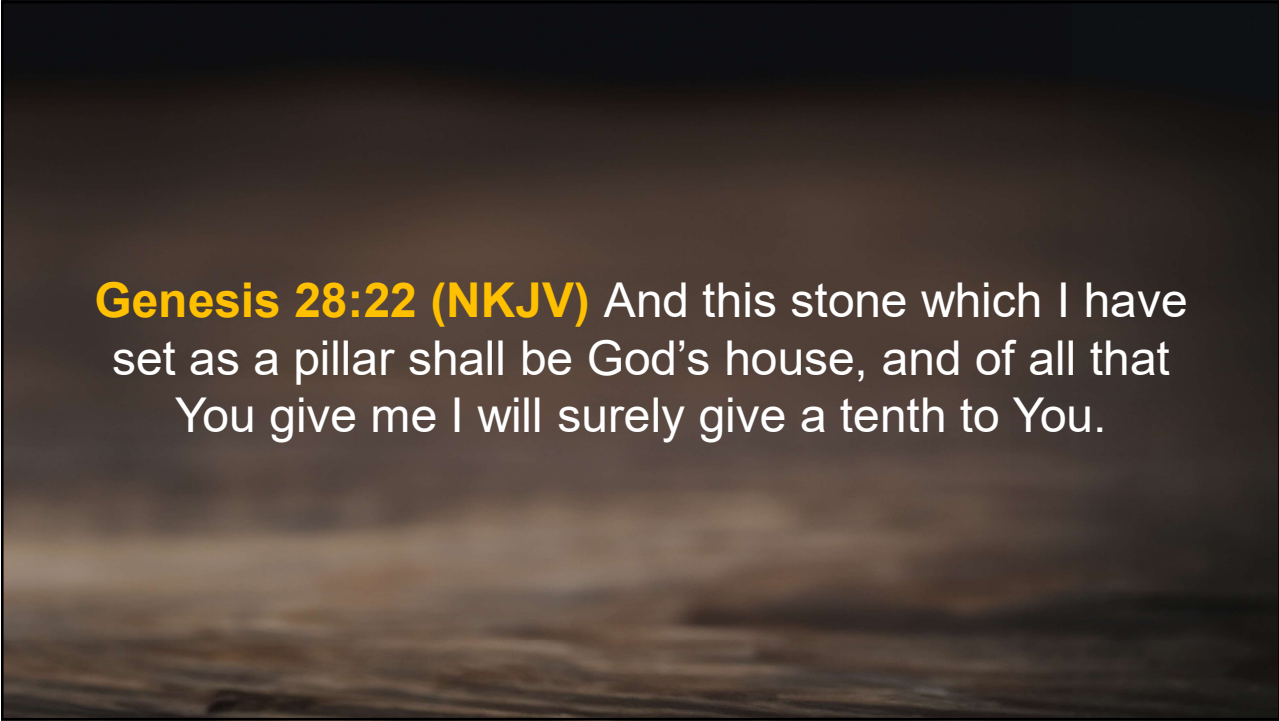
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## 2. TITHING IS BIBLICAL

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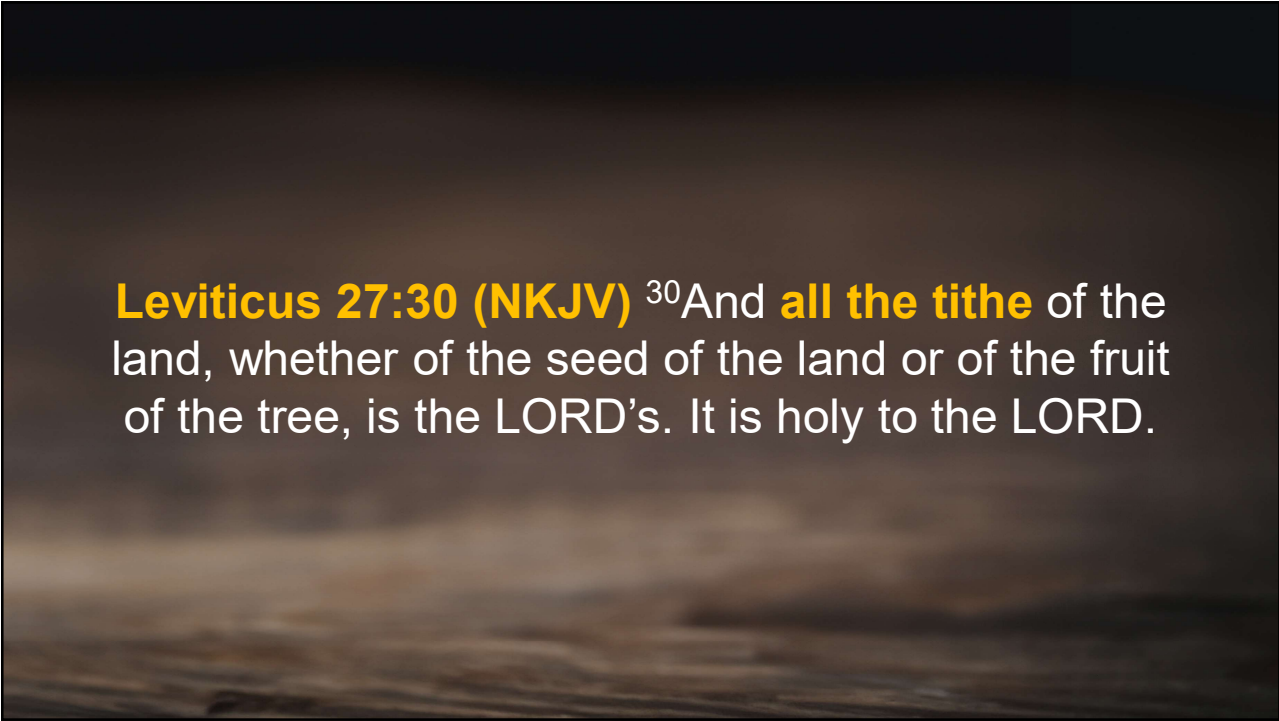
**Genesis 14:18-22 (NKJV)** <sup>18</sup>Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was the priest of God Most High. <sup>19</sup>And he blessed him (Abraham) and said: "Blessed be Abram of God Most High, possessor of heaven and earth; <sup>20</sup> And blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand." And he (Abraham) gave him (Melchizedek) a **tithe** of all.

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**Genesis 28:22 (NKJV)** And this stone which I have set as a pillar shall be God's house, and of all that You give me I will surely give a tenth to You.

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**Leviticus 27:30 (NKJV)** <sup>30</sup>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.

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**Deuteronomy 26:1-2 (NKJV)** <sup>1</sup>“And it shall be, when you come into the land which the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance, and you possess it and dwell in it, <sup>2</sup>that you shall take **some of the first** of all the produce of the ground, which you shall bring from your land that the LORD your God is giving you, and put it in a basket and go to the place where the LORD your God chooses to make His name abide.

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**Deuteronomy 26:13-15 (NKJV)** <sup>13</sup>then you shall say before the LORD your God: **‘I have removed the holy tithe from my house**, and also have given them to the Levite, the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, according to all Your commandments which You have commanded me; I have not transgressed Your commandments, nor have I forgotten them.

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**Deuteronomy 26:13-15 (NKJV)** <sup>14</sup> I have not eaten any of it when in mourning, nor have I removed any of it for an unclean use, nor given any of it for the dead. I have obeyed the voice of the LORD my God and have done according to all that You have commanded me. <sup>15</sup> **Look down from Your holy habitation, from heaven, and bless Your people.**

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**Matthew 23:23 (NKJV)** <sup>23</sup>“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you pay tithe of mint and anise and cumin and have neglected the weightier *matters* of the law: justice and mercy and faith. These you ought to have done, without leaving the others undone.

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**Hebrews 7:1–8 (NKJV)** This Melchizedek was king of Salem and priest of God Most High. He met Abraham returning from the defeat of the kings and blessed him,<sup>2</sup> and Abraham gave him a tenth of everything. First, the name Melchizedek means “king of righteousness”; then also, “king of Salem” means “king of peace.”<sup>3</sup> Without father or mother, without genealogy, without beginning of days or end of life, resembling the Son of God, he remains a priest forever.

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**Hebrews 7:1–8 (NKJV)**<sup>4</sup> Just think how great he was: Even the patriarch Abraham gave him a tenth of the plunder!<sup>5</sup> Now the law requires the descendants of Levi who become priests to collect a tenth from the people—that is, from their fellow Israelites—even though they also are descended from Abraham.

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**Hebrews 7:1–8 (NKJV)** <sup>6</sup> This man, however, did not trace his descent from Levi, yet he collected a tenth from Abraham and blessed him who had the promises. <sup>7</sup> And without doubt the lesser is blessed by the greater. <sup>8</sup> In the one case, the tenth is collected by people who die; but in the other case, by him who is declared to be living.

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### 3. TITHING IS BENEFICIAL

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**2 Chronicles 31:4 (NKJV)** <sup>4</sup> Moreover he commanded the people who dwelt in Jerusalem to contribute support for the priests and the Levites, that they might devote themselves to the Law of the LORD.

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**2 Chronicles 31:5-10 (NKJV)** <sup>5</sup>As soon as the commandment was circulated, the children of Israel brought in abundance the **first fruits** of grain and wine, oil and honey, and of all the produce of the field; and they brought in abundantly the tithe of everything. <sup>6</sup>And the children of Israel and Judah, who dwelt in the cities of Judah, brought the tithe of oxen and sheep; also, the tithe of holy things which were consecrated to the LORD their God they laid in heaps.

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**2 Chronicles 31:5-10 (NKJV)** <sup>7</sup>In the third month they began laying them in heaps, and they finished in the seventh month. <sup>8</sup>And when Hezekiah and the leaders came and saw the heaps, they blessed the LORD and His people Israel. <sup>9</sup> **Then** Hezekiah questioned the priests and the Levites concerning the heaps.

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**2 Chronicles 31:5-10 (NKJV)** <sup>10</sup>And Azariah the chief priest, from the house of Zadok, answered him and said, “Since the **people began** to bring the offerings into the house of the LORD, we have had enough to eat and have plenty left, **for the LORD has blessed His people; and what is left is this great abundance.**”

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