

The Financial Support of The Church Grace Giving Pt. 1

Basic principle about giving: the underlying pattern of giving has been basically the _____ throughout history involving _____ giving (for believers and unbelievers alike) and _____ or grace giving (for believers only).

A. Before MOSES and the LAW.

1. _____ giving (taxation):
 - a. Genesis 41
 - b. Genesis 47:23-25
2. _____ or grace giving:
 - a. Genesis 8:20-21
 - b. Genesis 14:18-20
 - c. Genesis 28:20-22

Conclusion: We observe both required taxation and free-will (grace) giving are mentioned, including the tithe.

B. After the LAW to JESUS.

1. _____ giving (taxation):
 - a. Leviticus 27:30-34
 - b. Deuteronomy 12:10-18, 14:28-29
 - c. Malachi 3:8-10

Conclusion: There were 3 tithes of required giving under the Law for Israel:

- The Levite tithe (10% yearly)
- The Festival tithe (10% yearly)
- The Poor tithe (10% every 3 years)

This average = **23.3% yearly of mandatory or required taxation** to be brought to the temple storehouse to fund the government, support the priesthood, help communities, and assist the poor.

2. _____ or grace giving:
 - a. Numbers 18:12
 - b. Deuteronomy 23:23
 - c. Proverbs 3:9-10
 - d. Proverbs 11:24-25

Key Verse: 1 Corinthians 16:1-2

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- e. Exodus 25
- f. Exodus 36:5-7

Conclusion: Under the law there was required giving (taxation) as well as voluntary, free will offerings (grace-giving).

C. During the Earthly Ministry of JESUS CHRIST.

1. _____ giving (taxation):
 - a. Matthew 17:24-27
 - b. Matthew 22:15-22
2. _____ or grace giving:
 - a. Luke 21:1-4
 - b. Mark 14:1-9

Conclusion: During the earthly ministry of Jesus Christ, there was required giving (taxation) as well as voluntary, free will offerings (grace-giving).

D. During the Dispensation of GRACE as the CHURCH.

1. _____ giving (taxation):
 - a. Romans 13:1-7
2. _____ or grace giving:
 - a. 1 Corinthians 16:1-2

Summary Conclusions:

1. Giving is both a _____ and a _____ for the believer.
2. Tithing was normally a form of _____ required of believers and unbelievers under the Law.
3. Believers in this Age of Grace are to responsibly pay their _____ to their governments and offer _____ to the Lord out of thankful hearts for His undeserved kindness & blessing.

Common MISCONCEPTIONS About Grace Giving:

1. Grace giving does not mean _____ giving.
2. Grace giving does not mean _____ stewardship—it means stewardship motivated by grace rather than law.
3. Grace giving does not mean God is _____ in our finances.

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4. Grace giving means giving from a heart _____ by God's grace.

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