



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

SERIES: IT'S NOT YOURS



NYRS04-“Lord, You’re All I Need To Get By” #PutYourMoneyWhereYourMouthIs

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Scripture References: Leviticus 27:30,33; Genesis 14:18-23 NKJV

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LEVITICUS 27:30,33 NKJV

³⁰ And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land ... is the Lord's. It is holy to the Lord... ³³ He shall not inquire whether it is good or bad, nor shall he exchange it; and if he exchanges it at all, then both it and the one exchanged for it shall be holy; it shall not be redeemed.

GENESIS 14:18-23 NKJV

¹⁸ Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was the priest of God Most High. ¹⁹ And he blessed [Abram] and said, “Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; ²⁰ And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand.” And [Abram] gave [Melchizedek] a tithe of all. ²¹ Now the king of Sodom said to Abram, “Give me the persons, and take the goods for yourself. ²² But Abram said to the king of Sodom, “I have raised my hand to the Lord, God Most High, the Possessor of heaven and earth, ²³ that I will take nothing, from a thread to a sandal strap, and that I will not take anything that is yours, lest you should say, ‘I have made Abram rich’ ...

1. More than four hundred years prior to the institution of the law, the Scripture tells us that Abram gave the High Priest Melchizedek “a tithe of all.” (Genesis 14:18-20).

Discuss.

Why do you think Abram gave the tithe to Melchizedek?

2. In the message, Pastor MGB pointed out that Abram had made a vow to the Lord that he would not take anything from the King of Sodom or give any opportunity for the King of Sodom to take credit for making Abram rich.

Discuss.

3. Some argue that we are not required to tithe today because it was “under the law.” However, God required tithing before the law, as we see from Abram and Melchizedek. (See Genesis 14:20b: “*And [Abram] gave [Melchizedek] a tithe of all.*”).

Discuss.

4. Some argue that we are not required to tithe today because it was “under the law.” However, God still requires tithing after the law, as we see from Jesus’s instructions to the Pharisees. (See Matthew 23:23: “*Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, 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.*”).

Discuss.

BONUS EXERCISE

1. Review the following passages from Hebrews 7 and discuss Who the Bible hints Melchizedek may have been.

For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, ² to whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all, first being translated “king of righteousness,” and then also king of Salem, meaning “king of peace,” ³ without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like the Son of God, remains a priest continually. ⁴ Now consider how great this man was, to whom even the patriarch Abraham gave a tenth of the spoils. ... ⁶ but he whose genealogy is not derived from them received tithes from Abraham and blessed him who had the promises. ⁷ Now beyond all contradiction the lesser is blessed by the better. ⁸ Here mortal men receive tithes, but there he receives them, of whom it is witnessed that he lives. (Hebrews 7:1-4,6-8).

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