

Tithing is NOT the Same as Giving

Definition¹

TITHE, *noun* The tenth part of any thing; but appropriately, the tenth part of the increase annually arising from the profits of land and stock, allotted to the clergy for their support. Tithes are personal, predial, or mixed; personal, when accruing from labor, art, trade and navigation; predial, when issuing from the earth, as hay, wood and fruit; and mixed, when accruing from beasts, which are fed from the ground.

TITHE, *verb transitive* To levy a tenth part on; to tax to the amount of a tenth.

When thou hast made an end of tithing all the tithes of thine increase. [Deuteronomy 26:12](#).

Ye *tithe* mint and rue. [Luke 11:42](#).

TITHE, *verb intransitive* To pay tithes.

Yahuah loves “cheerful givers.” Are we to give? Absolutely we are to give. **BUT** we are to give as Yah’s Spirit guides us to give; we are not to give according to what any human may otherwise suggest.

2 Corinthians 9:7

(**TS2009**) Let each one *give* as he purposes in his heart, not of grief or of necessity, for Elohim loves a joyous giver.

(**Cepher**) Every man according as he purposes in his heart, *so let him give*; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for **Elohiym** loves a cheerful giver.

(**KJV+**) Every man ^{G1538} according as ^{G2531} he purposeth ^{G4255} in his heart, ^{G2588} *so let him give*; not ^{G3361} grudgingly, ^{G1537 G3077} or ^{G2228} of ^{G1537} necessity: ^{G318} for ^{G1063} God ^{G2316} loveth ^{G25} a cheerful ^{G2431} giver. ^{G1395}

Tithing (the verb “to tithe”) was a command given to the Israelites. All tribes except Levi were to tithe 10% their crops and livestock (**not** money) to the tribe of Levi so they could eat. Levi was not given land (and was not numbered) as were the other tribes. This commanded tithe given to them was their inheritance in lieu of land. They were given the job of Priesthood. The Levitical Priesthood is no more. We have One Priest today—Yahusha.

When Abraham tithed a tenth to Melchizedek (TS2009 Spelling) in Genesis 14 after he rescued Lot, it was merely a gift—a free will offering gift—that just happened to be 10%. This could not possibly have been related to any “commanded tithe” given to the Levites.” The Levites did not even exist in Genesis 14. The Levites were of the tribe of Levi. Levi was Jacob’s third son. Jacob was renamed by Yahuah to be called Israel—hence the term Israelites which represents ALL of the tribes created by 14 men (including two sons of Joseph). Jacob (Israel) was the younger son of Isaac, who was born of Abraham and Sarah.

Baruk haba beshem Yahuah!

¹ <https://webstersdictionary1828.com/Dictionary/tithe>