

A Counterfeit Levitical Priesthood – Sons of Levi

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ONLY LEVITES had the right to receive the tithe from the people of Israel. (Num. 18:21-26) This is what Scripture commanded! Since there is no Man-Made “Temple” in existence and no ordained Levitical priesthood serving in this man-made temple of today, the laws of tithing to a counterfeit Levitical system do not exist in the New Covenant, New Testament Living in Christ. Scripture tells us *we* are the temple of the living God. (1 Cor. 6:19) As you come to Him, the living Stone rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him “you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. (1 Pet. 2:4-6) We are all kings and priest in HIS kingdom. We are a royal priesthood (ALL SINCERE BELIEVERS IN CHRIST), sacred to God, serviceable to others. (1 Pet. 2:9)

Those who minister the word today are not Levites. Neither Christ nor the apostles were Levites so they were all disqualified from being the sole recipients of the tithe in the Old Testament. Only the Tribe of Levites could. Jesus and the apostles, like Paul and Peter came from the Tribes of Judah and Benjamin. Therefore in the New Covenant, New Testament in Christ, tithing is never mentioned. It is just that simple. Many abusers of the Old Testament Law twist the meaning of Hebrews 7 in an attempt to sustain legalistic tithing as a New Testament commandment. Jesus never commanded New Testament believers to adhere to the Ceremonial Law of tithing as “New Testament tithing” cannot rescue fallen humankind from their desperate position under the curse of the Law. LOOK AS HARD AS YOU LIKE YOU WILL NEVER FIND IT ANYWHERE IN THE NEW COVENANT DOCTRINES OF CHRIST!

Jesus never commanded that animals must be sacrificed to atone for sin as believers of the New Covenant live under an entirely different dispensation from that of the Old Testament Israelites. Abraham practiced animal sacrifices, polygamy, and circumcision amongst other things ALL DONE BEFORE THE LAW! Would they all be valid in today’s church because they were all done before the law? If today’s clergy (pastors, set man, apostolic source, spiritual fathers, etc.) choose to keep one law, (Tithing, Offerings and First Fruits) to “earn” blessings from God, they must keep the entire Ceremonial or Ritual Law, and thereby proclaim that they do not need the Lord Jesus and His complete atonement. They then actually reject the grace of God in Christ! (Gal. 3:10-14, 2:21)

Tithing is one big CASH COW as today’s tithe is treated with such reverence that this counterfeit Levitical priesthood hold it above the sacrifice of Jesus Himself and would do anything to make sure nothing and no one affects this CASH COW in anyway. The only New Testament Law which Jesus and His disciples ever commanded was the Moral Law of Love for God and fellow man (which naturally relates to offerings) but the New Testament never mentions tithing and first fruits, except in the view of those who abuse Scripture non-contextually to reinforce their manmade or demonic doctrines of greed - the spirit of mammon. (Mt. 22:37-40; 2 Cor. 9:7; Rom. 8:14)

The Context of Malachi 2 and 3 (Sons Of Levi)

God was rebuking His backslidden religious priests – sons of Levi and not New Testament Believers – when He said in Malachi. 2:

“I will send the curse upon you and curse your blessings... For a priest’s lips should guard and keep pure the knowledge of My Law, and the people should seek instruction at his mouth... But you have turned aside out of the way; you have caused many to stumble by your [false, twisted] instruction in the Law; you have corrupted My covenant with the people. [The son’s of Levi perverted God’s truth and made it into manmade doctrines to profit themselves.] You do this with double guilt, covering My altar with tears, shed by your wives, whom you divorced that you might take heathen wives, and with your crying out because I do not regard your offering any more... Yet you ask: Why does He reject it?” (Mal. 2:2-8, 13-14)

Malachi 2:1-9 helps us establish that the rebuke given to the Levites is consistent throughout the entire context. God said it was a “MAN” who was robbing God [tears shed by your wives –whom you divorced]. Furthermore, women could not hold the office of a priest, so this is further proof of who the rebuke is to.

These priests were swindlers operating from the “spirit of mammon.” “Nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.” (1 Cor. 6:10)

The corrupted Old Testament, religious priest/leaders were the ones who were misusing and squandering God’s monies and resources. They were the ones defrauding GOD - even robbing Him of His alms, which they collected from the Israel nation, but neglected to distribute among the poor, widows and orphans. Yet the weightier of their sin was their blatant disregard of God’s Royal Law of agapao (love for God), and agape (love for people). They have leapt into twisting of the Holy Scriptures; idolatry, disobedience, adultery, divorce and robbery, but they were still asking: “Lord, why do You reject our offerings?” (Mal. 2:14) Their deliberate transgression of the Moral and Ceremonial Law brought them under the entire curse of Deuteronomy 28, which is why God cursed these religious leaders “with a curse.” By confusing and fusing the Old and New Testaments (mixing NEW WINE in OLD WINSKINS), which are two different dispensations, wolves in sheep’s clothing have indoctrinated Jesus’ blood-bought, New Testament disciples to believe that they should pay the tithes or taxes of Old Israel, FIRST FRUITS included, to the “setman” to “earn” “supernatural” blessings from God! Thus, according to this blatant lie, God “curses them with a curse.” (Gal. 2:21) Jesus still says to His followers, “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed [the spirit of mammon]; a man’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.” (Lk. 12:15)

TRUE GIVING IS EXACTLY LIKE IN THE BOOK OF ACTS. TO GIVE TO THE POOR, THE NEEDY (NOT THE GREEDY), THE WIDOWS AND OPHANS AND WHOMEVER IS IN NEED! “And all those who had believed were together and had all things in common; and they began selling their property and possessions and were sharing them with all, as anyone might have need. Day by day continuing with one mind in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart...” (Acts 2:44-46) **JESUS SAID TO THE RICH YOUNG MAN...SELL ALL AND GIVE IT TO THE POOR (Mt. 19:20) – PERIOD! (NOT TO THOSE FALSE APOSTLES WHO LIVE IN THE LAP OF LUXUARY RECEIVING THE COUNTERFEIT LEVITICAL TITHES TODAY THAT DOES NOT BELONG TO THEM AND CAN DO WHATEVER THEY LIKE WITH IT!** The one who is taught the word is to share all good things with the one who teaches him. [it does not say give your tithes to this one – Gal. 6:6] “Do not be deceived,

God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life....” (Gal. 6:7-8)