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YAH'S FINANCIAL PLAN FOR THE KINGDOM

Have you ever wondered how the kingdom communities receive their financial support and how it is used? Perhaps you know of the activities of some communities and have heard of the activities of others. There are a number of fund-raising practices in use today. Some of these practices may include tithing, offerings, pledges, rallies, games, mass solicitations, bake sales, rummage sales, begging, business ventures, sale of stocks and bonds, book sales and a number of other schemes; some are good, perhaps, and other are not so good. You may have some opinion about the various fund-raising practices in use today. However, because the Bible is YAH's message to his people and the world, any methods it espouses should be your own. YAH's word teaches that tithes and offerings should be given to support HIS on-going plan for the redemption of man.

Le 27:30 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 unto the LORD.

Deuteronomy 14:2 For thou art an holy people unto YAH thy Elohim, and YAH hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto himself, above all the nations that are upon the earth.

Titus 2:14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

1 Peter 2:9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

Definition of tithe:

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מַעֲשֵׂר ma`aser mah-as-ayr'

or maasar {mah-as-ar'}; and (in plural) feminine maasrah {mah-as-law'}; from 6240; a tenth; especially a tithe:-- tenth (part), tithe(-ing).

The history of the tithe:

Genesis 14:14 And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed his trained servants, born in his own house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued them unto Dan.

15 And he divided himself against them, he and his servants, by night, and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which is on the left hand of Damascus.

16 And he brought back all the goods, and also brought again his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people.

17 And the king of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that were with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which is the king's dale.

18 And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high ELOHIM.

19 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high ELOHIM, possessor of heaven and earth:

20 And blessed be the most high ELOHIM, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all.

FOR THE NATION OF ISRAEL:

Numbers 18:20 And YAH said unto Aaron, **Thou shalt have no inheritance in their land**, neither shalt thou have any portion among them: **I am thy portion and thine inheritance among the children of Israel.**

21 And **unto the children of Levi**, behold, **I have given all the tithe in Israel for an inheritance**, in return **for their service which they serve, even the service of the tent of meeting.**

22 And henceforth the children of Israel shall not come nigh the tent of meeting, lest they bear sin, and die.

23 But the Levites shall do the service of the tent of meeting, and they shall bear their iniquity: **it shall be a statute for ever** throughout your generations; and among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance.

24 **For the tithe of the children of Israel**, which they offer as a heave-offering unto YAH, **I have given to the Levites for an inheritance**: therefore I have said unto them, Among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance.

25 And YAH spake unto Moses, saying,

26 Moreover **thou shalt speak unto the Levites**, and say unto them, **When ye take of the children of Israel the tithe which I have given you** from them for your inheritance, then ye shall offer up a heave-offering of it for YAH, **a tithe of the tithe.**

27 And your heave-offering shall be reckoned unto you, as though it were the grain of the threshing-floor, and as the fulness of the winepress.

28 **Thus ye also shall offer a heave-offering unto YAH of all your tithes**, which ye receive of the children of Israel; and **thereof ye shall give YAH's heave-offering to Aaron the priest.**

29 Out of all your gifts ye shall offer every heave-offering of YAH, of all the best thereof, even the hallowed part thereof out of it.

30 Therefore thou shalt say unto them, When ye heave the best thereof from it, then it shall be reckoned unto the Levites as the increase of the threshing-floor, and as the increase of the wine-press.

31 And ye shall eat it in every place, ye and your households: for it is your reward in return for your service in the tent of meeting.

32 And ye shall bear no sin by reason of it, when ye have heaved from it the best thereof: and ye shall not profane the holy things of the children of Israel, that ye die not.

IF YOU LIVED TO FAR TO BRING YOUR TITHE:

Deuteronomy 14:22 Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year.

23 And thou shalt eat before the LORD thy God, in the place which he shall choose to place his name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the firstlings of thy herds and of thy flocks; that thou mayest learn to fear the LORD thy God always.

24 And if the way be too long for thee, so that thou art not able to carry it; or if the place be too far from thee, which the LORD thy God shall choose to set his name there, when the LORD thy God hath blessed thee:

25 Then shalt thou turn it into money, and bind up the money in thine hand, and shalt go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose:

26 And thou shalt bestow that money for whatsoever thy soul lusteth after, for oxen, or for sheep, or for wine, or for strong drink, or for whatsoever thy soul desireth: and thou shalt eat there before the LORD thy God, and thou shalt rejoice, thou, and thine household,

27 And the Levite that is within thy gates; thou shalt not forsake him; for he hath no part nor inheritance with thee.

28 At the end of three years thou shalt bring forth all the tithe of thine increase the same year, and shalt lay it up within thy gates:

29 And the Levite, (because he hath no part nor inheritance with thee,) and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, which are within thy gates, shall come, and shall eat and be satisfied; that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hand which thou doest.

WHEN ISRAEL DIDN'T PAY THEIR TITHE WHAT DID YAH ACCUSE THEM OF? AND WHAT WAS THE CONSEQUENCES OF IT?

Malachi 3:8 Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? **In tithes and offerings.**

9 Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.

10 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

11 And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.

12 And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts.

THE MELCHIZEDEC PRIETHOOD:

Psalms 110:4 YAH hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

Hebrews 5:1 For every high priest taken from among men is ordained for men in things pertaining to ELOHIM, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins:

2 Who can have compassion on the ignorant, and on them that are out of the way; for that he himself also is compassed with infirmity.

3 And by reason hereof he ought, as for the people, so also for himself, to offer for sins.

4 And no man taketh this honour unto himself, but he that is called of ELOHIM, as was Aaron.

5 So also Christ glorified not himself to be made an high priest; but he that said unto him, Thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee.

6 As he saith also in another place, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

7 Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared;

8 Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;

9 And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;

10 Called of ELOHIM an high priest after the order of Melchisedec.

11 Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of hearing.

Hebrews 7:1 For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high ELOHIM, 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 by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace;

3 Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of ELOHIM; abideth a priest continually.

4 Now consider how great this man was, unto whom even the patriarch Abraham gave the tenth of the spoils.

5 And verily they that are of the sons of Levi, who receive the office of the priesthood, **have a commandment to take tithes of the people according to the law**, that is, of their brethren, though they come out of the loins of Abraham:

6 But he whose descent is not counted from them received tithes of Abraham, and blessed him that had the promises.

7 And without all contradiction the less is blessed of the better.

8 And here men that die receive tithes; but there he receiveth them, of whom it is witnessed that he liveth.

9 And as I may so say, **Levi also, who receiveth tithes, payed tithes in Abraham.**

10 **For he was yet in the loins of his father, when Melchisedec met him.**

11 If therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people received the law,) what further need was there that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron?

12 **For the priesthood being changed**, there is made of necessity a change also of the law.

13 For he of whom these things are spoken pertaineth to another tribe, of which no man gave attendance at the altar.

14 For it is evident that our Lord sprang out of Juda; of which tribe Moses spake nothing concerning priesthood.

15 **And it is yet far more evident: for that after the similitude of Melchisedec there ariseth another priest,**

16 **Who is made, not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an endless life.**

17 **For he testifieth, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.**

18 For there is verily a disannulling of the commandment going before for the weakness and unprofitableness thereof.

19 For the law made nothing perfect, but the bringing in of a better hope did; by the which we draw nigh unto ELOHIM.

20 And inasmuch as not without an oath he was made priest:

21 (For those priests were made without an oath; but this with an oath by him that said unto him, YAH sware and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec:)

22 By so much was Jesus made a surety of a better testament.

23 And they truly were many priests, because they were not suffered to continue by reason of death:

24 But this man, because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood.

25 Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto ELOHIM by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

26 For such an high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens;

27 Who needeth not daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, first for his own sins, and then for the people's: for this he did once, when he offered up himself.

28 For the law maketh men high priests which have infirmity; but the word of the oath, which was since the law, maketh the Son, who is consecrated for evermore.

An Example from the book of Samuel:

1 Samuel 9:1 Now there was a man of Benjamin, whose name was Kish, the son of Abiel, the son of Zeror, the son of Bechorath, the son of Aphiah, a Benjamite, a mighty man of power.

2 And he had a son, whose name was Saul, a choice young man, and a goodly: and there was not among the children of Israel a goodlier person than he: from his shoulders and upward he was higher than any of the people.

3 And the asses of Kish Saul's father were lost. And Kish said to Saul his son, Take now one of the servants with thee, and arise, go seek the asses.

4 And he passed through mount Ephraim, and passed through the land of Shalisha, but they found them not: then they passed through the land of Shalim, and there they were not: and he passed through the land of the Benjamites, but they found them not.

5 And when they were come to the land of Zuph, Saul said to his servant that was with him, Come, and let us return; lest my father leave caring for the asses, and take thought for us.

6 And he said unto him, Behold now, there is in this city a man of ELOHIM, and he is an honourable man; all that he saith cometh surely to pass: now let us go thither; peradventure he can shew us our way that we should go.

7 Then said Saul to his servant, But, behold, if we go, what shall we bring the man? for the bread is spent in our vessels, and there is not a present to bring to the man of ELOHIM: what have we?

8 And the servant answered Saul again, and said, Behold, I have here at hand the fourth part of a shekel of silver: that will I give to the man of ELOHIM, to tell us our way.

9 (Beforetime in Israel, when a man went to enquire of ELOHIM, thus he spake, Come, and let us go to the seer: for he that is now called a Prophet was beforetime called a Seer.)

10 Then said Saul to his servant, Well said; come, let us go. So they went unto the city where the man of ELOHIM was.

What is the concept behind allowing the ox to eat as it treads the corn?

De 25:4 Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out *the corn*.

The concept is the ox is working the field it the ox's pay to eat where he works. It is YAH's way of taking care of the oxen.

This same concept is given in gospels:

1 **Corinthians 9:9** For it is written in the law of Moses, Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn. Doth ELOHIM take care for oxen?

10 Or saith he it altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, this is written: that he that ploweth should plow in hope; and that he that thresheth in hope should be partaker of his hope.

11 If we have sown unto you spiritual things, is it a great thing if we shall reap your carnal things?

12 If others be partakers of this power over you, are not we rather? Nevertheless we have not used this power; but suffer all things, lest we should hinder the gospel of Christ.

13 Do ye not know that they which minister about holy things live of the things of the temple? and they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar?

14 Even so hath YAH ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel.

1 **Timothy 5:18** For the scripture saith, Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And, The labourer is worthy of his reward.

A. OLD TESTAMENT – BEFOE ELOHIM GAVE MOSES AND ISRAEL THE LAW AT MOUTN SINAI

1. What kinds of offerings did Cain and Abel bring to YAH? (Gen 4:3-4)

i. **Genesis 4:3** And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto YAH.

ii. **4** And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And YAH had respect unto Abel and to his offering:

2. Why did YAH accept Abel's offering and reject Cain's (Gen 4:3-5)

- i. **Genesis 4:3** And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto YAH.
 - ii. **4** And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And YAH had respect unto Abel and to his offering:
 - iii. **5** But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.
- 3. Who was the man called Melchizedek? (**Gen 14:18; Heb 7:1-10**)
 - i. **Genesis 14:18** And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was **the priest of the most high ELOHIM**.
 - ii. **Hebrews 7:1** For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high ELOHIM, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him;
 - iii. **2** To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace;
 - iv. **3** Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of ELOHIM; abideth a priest continually.
 - v. **4** Now consider how great this man was, unto whom even the patriarch Abraham gave the tenth of the spoils.
 - vi. **5** And verily they that are of the sons of Levi, who receive the office of the priesthood, have a commandment to take tithes of the people according to the law, that is, of their brethren, though they come out of the loins of Abraham:
 - vii. **6** But he whose descent is not counted from them received tithes of Abraham, and blessed him that had the promises.
 - viii. **7** And without all contradiction the less is blessed of the better.
 - ix. **8** And here men that die receive tithes; but there he receiveth them, of whom it is witnessed that he liveth.
 - x. **9** And as I may so say, Levi also, who receiveth tithes, payed tithes in Abraham.
 - xi. **10** For he was yet in the loins of his father, when Melchisedec met him.
- 4. Who paid tithes Melchizedek? (**Gen 14:17-20; cf. Heb 7:1-7**) You should read the entire 14th Chapter of Genesis for background information)
 - i. **Genesis 14:17** And the king of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that were with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which is the king's dale.
 - ii. **18** And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high ELOHIM.
 - iii. **19** And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high ELOHIM, possessor of heaven and earth:
 - iv. **20** And blessed be the most high ELOHIM, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all.

- v. **Hebrews 7:1** For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high ELOHIM, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him;
 - vi. **2** To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace;
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 - x. **6** But he whose descent is not counted from them received tithes of Abraham, and blessed him that had the promises.
 - xi. **7** And without all contradiction the less is blessed of the better.
5. What did Jacob promise YAH? (**Gen 28:20-22**)
- i. **Genesis 28:20** And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If ELOHIM will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on,
 - ii. **21** So that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall YAH be my ELOHIM:
 - iii. **22** And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be ELOHIM's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.
6. Does everything and everyone belong to YAH? (**Ex 19:5; 1 Cor. 10:26; Psalms 50:10; Gen 1:1; Lev 27:30-33; Ezek 18:4**) Note if all belongs to YAH, then we are merely stewards or caretakers.
- i. **Exodus 19:5** Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine:
 - ii. **1 Corinthians 10:26** For the earth is YAH's, and the fulness thereof.
 - iii. **Psalms 50:10** For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills.
 - iv. **Genesis 1:1** In the beginning ELOHIM created the heaven and the earth.
 - v. **Leviticus 27:30** And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is YAH'S: it is holy unto YAH.
 - vi. **31** And if a man will at all redeem ought of his tithes, he shall add thereto the fifth part thereof.
 - vii. **32** And concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock, even of whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto YAH.

- viii. **33** He shall not search whether it be good or bad, neither shall he change it: and if he change it at all, then both it and the change thereof shall be holy; it shall not be redeemed.
- ix. **Ezekiel 18:4** Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die.

B. OLD TESTAMENT – AFTER ELOHIM GAVE MOSES AND ISRAEL THE LAW AT MOUNT SINAI (EX 19:1,3-5; 20:1-2, 22)

- I. **Exodus 19:1** In the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai.
 - II. **Exodus 19:3** And Moses went up unto ELOHIM, and YAH called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel;
 - III. **4** Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.
 - IV. **5** Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine:
1. To whom did the people of Israel pay tithes? (**Num 18:21-24**)
 - i. **Numbers 18:21** And, behold, I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in Israel for an inheritance, for their service which they serve, even the service of the tabernacle of the congregation.
 - ii. **22** Neither must the children of Israel henceforth come nigh the tabernacle of the congregation, lest they bear sin, and die.
 - iii. **23** But the Levites shall do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation, and they shall bear their iniquity: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations, that among the children of Israel they have no inheritance.
 - iv. **24** But the tithes of the children of Israel, which they offer as an heave offering unto YAH, I have given to the Levites to inherit: therefore I have said unto them, Among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance.
 2. Why? (**Num 18:1-7, 20-24**)
 - i. **Numbers 18:1** And YAH said unto Aaron, Thou and thy sons and thy father's house with thee shall bear the iniquity of the sanctuary: and thou and thy sons with thee shall bear the iniquity of your priesthood.
 - ii. **2** And thy brethren also of the tribe of Levi, the tribe of thy father, bring thou with thee, that they may be joined unto thee, and minister unto thee: but thou and thy sons with thee shall minister before the tabernacle of witness.
 - iii. **3** And they shall keep thy charge, and the charge of all the tabernacle: only they shall not come nigh the vessels of the sanctuary and the altar, that neither they, nor ye also, die.
 - iv. **4** And they shall be joined unto thee, and keep the charge of the tabernacle of the congregation, for all the service of the tabernacle: and a stranger shall not come nigh unto you.
 - v. **5** And ye shall keep the charge of the sanctuary, and the charge of the altar: that there be no wrath any more upon the children of Israel.

- vi. **6** And I, behold, I have taken your brethren the Levites from among the children of Israel: to you they are given as a gift for YAH, to do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation.
 - vii. **7** Therefore thou and thy sons with thee shall keep your priest's office for every thing of the altar, and within the vail; and ye shall serve: I have given your priest's office unto you as a service of gift: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.
 - viii. **Exodus 18:20** And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws, and shalt shew them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do.
 - ix. **21** Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear ELOHIM, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens:
 - x. **22** And let them judge the people at all seasons: and it shall be, that every great matter they shall bring unto thee, but every small matter they shall judge: so shall it be easier for thyself, and they shall bear the burden with thee.
 - xi. **23** If thou shalt do this thing, and ELOHIM command thee so, then thou shalt be able to endure, and all this people shall also go to their place in peace.
 - xii. **24** So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father in law, and did all that he had said.
3. To whom did the Levites pay tithes? (**Num 18:26,28**)
- i. **Numbers 18:26** Thus speak unto the Levites, and say unto them, When ye take of the children of Israel the tithes which I have given you from them for your inheritance, then ye shall offer up an heave offering of it for YAH, even a tenth part of the tithe.
 - ii. **27** And this your heave offering shall be reckoned unto you, as though it were the corn of the threshingfloor, and as the fulness of the winepress.
 - iii. **28** Thus ye also shall offer an heave offering unto YAH of all your tithes, which ye receive of the children of Israel; and ye shall give thereof YAH'S heave offering to Aaron the priest.
4. Where were the tithes to be taken? (**Deu 12:5-19**)
- i. **Deuteronomy 12:5** But unto the place which YAH your ELOHIM shall choose out of all your tribes to put his name there, even unto his habitation shall ye seek, and thither thou shalt come:
 - ii. **6** And thither ye shall bring your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, and your tithes, and heave offerings of your hand, and your vows, and your freewill offerings, and the firstlings of your herds and of your flocks:
 - iii. **7** And there ye shall eat before YAH your ELOHIM, and ye shall rejoice in all that ye put your hand unto, ye and your households, wherein YAH thy ELOHIM hath blessed thee.
 - iv. **8** Ye shall not do after all the things that we do here this day, every man whatsoever is right in his own eyes.
 - v. **9** For ye are not as yet come to the rest and to the inheritance, which YAH your ELOHIM giveth you.

- vi. **10** But when ye go over Jordan, and dwell in the land which YAH your ELOHIM giveth you to inherit, and when he giveth you rest from all your enemies round about, so that ye dwell in safety;
- vii. **11** Then there shall be a place which YAH your ELOHIM shall choose to cause his name to dwell there; thither shall ye bring all that I command you; your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, your tithes, and the heave offering of your hand, and all your choice vows which ye vow unto YAH:
- viii. **12** And ye shall rejoice before YAH your ELOHIM, ye, and your sons, and your daughters, and your menservants, and your maidservants, and the Levite that is within your gates; forasmuch as he hath no part nor inheritance with you.
- ix. **13** Take heed to thyself that thou offer not thy burnt offerings in every place that thou seest:
- x. **14** But in the place which YAH shall choose in one of thy tribes, there thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, and there thou shalt do all that I command thee.
- xi. **15** Notwithstanding thou mayest kill and eat flesh in all thy gates, whatsoever thy soul lusteth after, according to the blessing of YAH thy ELOHIM which he hath given thee: the unclean and the clean may eat thereof, as of the roebuck, and as of the hart.
- xii. **16** Only ye shall not eat the blood; ye shall pour it upon the earth as water.
- xiii. **17** Thou mayest not eat within thy gates the tithe of thy corn, or of thy wine, or of thy oil, or the firstlings of thy herds or of thy flock, nor any of thy vows which thou vowest, nor thy freewill offerings, or heave offering of thine hand:
- xiv. **18** But thou must eat them before YAH thy ELOHIM in the place which YAH thy ELOHIM shall choose, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite that is within thy gates: and thou shalt rejoice before YAH thy ELOHIM in all that thou puttest thine hands unto.
- xv. **19** Take heed to thyself that thou forsake not the Levite as long as thou livest upon the earth.

5. What are the rules for tithing?

i. **Deut 14:22**

- 1. **Deuteronomy 14:22** Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year.

ii. **Deut 14:24-25**

- 1. **Deuteronomy 14:24** And if the way be too long for thee, so that thou art not able to carry it; or if the place be too far from thee, which YAH thy ELOHIM shall choose to set his name there, when YAH thy ELOHIM hath blessed thee:
- 2. **25** Then shalt thou turn it into money, and bind up the money in thine hand, and shalt go unto the place which YAH thy ELOHIM shall choose:

iii. **Deut 14:27-28**

- 1. **Deuteronomy 14:27** And the Levite that is within thy gates; thou shalt not forsake him; for he hath no part nor inheritance with thee.
- 2. **28** At the end of three years thou shalt bring forth all the tithe of thine increase the same year, and shalt lay it up within thy gates:

iv. Lev 27:31

1. **Leviticus 27:31** And if a man will at all redeem ought of his tithes, he shall add thereto the fifth part thereof.
6. What are the blessings promised for tithing? (**Deut 14:29; Mal 3:10**)
 - i. **Deuteronomy 14:29** And the Levite, (because he hath no part nor inheritance with thee,) and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, which are within thy gates, shall come, and shall eat and be satisfied; that YAH thy ELOHIM may bless thee in all the work of thine hand which thou doest.
 - ii. **Malachi 3:10** Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith YAH of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.
7. What does the Bible say about a refusal to pay tithes? (**Mal 3:8-9**)
 - i. **Malachi 3:8** Will a man rob ELOHIM? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.
 - ii. **9** Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.
8. What does the Bible say about how soon we should bring our tithes to YAH? (**Ex 22:29**)
 - i. **Exodus 22:29** Thou shalt not delay to offer the first of thy ripe fruits, and of thy liquors: the firstborn of thy sons shalt thou give unto me.
9. In addition to tithing, the people also brought offerings. What types of offerings did they bring? For what purpose?
 - i. **Ex. 25:1-2, 10, 23, 31; 26:1; 27:1,9,20;28:1,15,31**
 1. **Exodus 25:1** And YAH spake unto Moses, saying,
 2. **2** Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering: of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering.
 3. **Exodus 25:10** And they shall make an ark of shittim wood: two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.
 4. **Exodus 25:23** Thou shalt also make a table of shittim wood: two cubits shall be the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.
 5. **Exodus 25:31** And thou shalt make a candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work shall the candlestick be made: his shaft, and his branches, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, shall be of the same.
 6. **Exodus 26:1** Moreover thou shalt make the tabernacle with ten curtains of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet: with cherubims of cunning work shalt thou make them.
 7. **Exodus 27:1** And thou shalt make an altar of shittim wood, five cubits long, and five cubits broad; the altar shall be foursquare: and the height thereof shall be three cubits.
 8. **Exodus 27:9** And thou shalt make the court of the tabernacle: for the south side southward there shall be hangings for the court of fine twined linen of an hundred cubits long for one side:

9. **Exodus 27:20** And thou shalt command the children of Israel, that they bring thee pure oil olive beaten for the light, to cause the lamp to burn always.
10. **Exodus 28:1** And take thou unto thee Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him, from among the children of Israel, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office, even Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's sons.
11. **Exodus 28:15** And thou shalt make the breastplate of judgment with cunning work; after the work of the ephod thou shalt make it; of gold, of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine twined linen, shalt thou make it.
12. **Exodus 28:31** And thou shalt make the robe of the ephod all of blue.

ii. **Lev 1:1-3; 2:1; 3:1**

1. **Leviticus 1:1** And YAH called unto Moses, and spake unto him out of the tabernacle of the congregation, saying,
2. **2** Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, If any man of you bring an offering unto YAH, ye shall bring your offering of the cattle, even of the herd, and of the flock.
3. **3** If his offering be a burnt sacrifice of the herd, let him offer a male without blemish: he shall offer it of his own voluntary will at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before YAH.
4. **Leviticus 2:1** And when any will offer a meat offering unto YAH, his offering shall be of fine flour; and he shall pour oil upon it, and put frankincense thereon:
5. **Leviticus 3:1** And if his oblation be a sacrifice of peace offering, if he offer it of the herd; whether it be a male or female, he shall offer it without blemish before YAH.

10. Offerings were a part of the people's worship of YAH.

i. The people were not to appear before YAH empty-handed (**Ex 23:14-15; Lev 1:2-3**)

1. **Exodus 23:14** Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year.
2. **15** Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:)
3. **Leviticus 1:2** Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, If any man of you bring an offering unto YAH, ye shall bring your offering of the cattle, even of the herd, and of the flock.
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ii. The offerings were unacceptable to YAH when the people were inwardly corrupt and sinful. (**Is. 1:11-15**)

1. **Isaiah 1:11** To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me? saith YAH: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed

beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he goats.

2. **12** When ye come to appear before me, who hath required this at your hand, to tread my courts?
 3. **13** Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; the new moons and sabbaths, the calling of assemblies, I cannot away with; it is iniquity, even the solemn meeting.
 4. **14** Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them.
 5. **15** And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood.
- iii. YAH emphasizes and requires sincerity and purity of heart on the part of those who draw near to HIM in worship; HE wants sincere worshippers. Just faithfully paying tithes and contributing to every cause will not save us. (**John 4:24; Rom 12:11**)
1. **John 4:24** ELOHIM is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.
 2. **Romans 12:11** Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving YAH;

C. NEW TESTAMENT – FULFILLMENT OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

1. Does Jesus condemn the Old Testament system of paying tithes? (**Matt. 23:23; Luke 18:9-14**)
 - i. **Matthew 23:23** Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.
 - ii. **Luke 18:9** And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others:
 - iii. **10** Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican.
 - iv. **11** The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, ELOHIM, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.
 - v. **12** I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.
 - vi. **13** And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, ELOHIM be merciful to me a sinner.
 - vii. **14** I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.
2. What was Jesus really condemning in (**Matt 23:23 and Luke 18:9-14**)
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3. Who is our High Priest today? (**Heb 7:1-7, 11-17; Rom 12:4-5; 1 Cor. 12:27; Eph. 5:23**)
- i. **Hebrews 7:1** For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high ELOHIM, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him;
 - ii. **2** To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace;
 - iii. **3** Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of ELOHIM; abideth a priest continually.
 - iv. **4** Now consider how great this man was, unto whom even the patriarch Abraham gave the tenth of the spoils.
 - v. **5** And verily they that are of the sons of Levi, who receive the office of the priesthood, have a commandment to take tithes of the people according to the law, that is, of their brethren, though they come out of the loins of Abraham:
 - vi. **6** But he whose descent is not counted from them received tithes of Abraham, and blessed him that had the promises.
 - vii. **7** And without all contradiction the less is blessed of the better.
 - viii. **Hebrews 7:11** If therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people received the law,) what further need was there that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron?
 - ix. **12** For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law.
 - x. **13** For he of whom these things are spoken pertaineth to another tribe, of which no man gave attendance at the altar.
 - xi. **14** For it is evident that our Lord sprang out of Juda; of which tribe Moses spake nothing concerning priesthood.
 - xii. **15** And it is yet far more evident: for that after the similitude of Melchisedec there ariseth another priest,
 - xiii. **16** Who is made, not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an endless life.
 - xiv. **17** For he testifieth, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

- xv. **Romans 12:4** For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office:
 - xvi. **5** So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.
 - xvii. **1 Corinthians 12:27** Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.
 - xviii. **Ephesians 5:23** For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.
4. Why don't we still offer burnt sacrifices? (**Heb. 10:1-4; 10-14, 19,20; 1Cor. 5:7**)
- i. **Hebrews 10:1** For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.
 - ii. **2** For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins.
 - iii. **3** But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year.
 - iv. **4** For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.
 - v. **Hebrews 10:10** By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.
 - vi. **11** And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins:
 - vii. **12** But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of ELOHIM;
 - viii. **13** From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool.
 - ix. **14** For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.
 - x. **Hebrews 10:19** Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,
 - xi. **20** By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;
 - xii. **1 Corinthians 5:7** Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:

5. What does the Bible say about freewill offerings?

- i. **2 Cor 9:6**
 - 1. **2 Corinthians 9:6** But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.
- ii. **2 Cor 9:7**
 - 1. **2 Corinthians 9:7** Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for ELOHIM loveth a cheerful giver.

D. TITHES AND OFFERINGS WERE A PART OF YAH'S PLAN FOR SUPPORTING HIS WORK BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER THE PERIOD OF THE MOSAIC COVENANT; THEREFORE, WE MUST TITHE AND GIVE OFFERINGS TODAY IN SUPPORT OF YAH'S ON-GOING ETERNAL PLAN FOR MAN'S REDEMPTION.

- 1. Does the law annul or void YAH's promises to Abraham and his seed? (The promises were made long before the law was given at Mt. Sinai.) (**Gen. 12:1-3; Ex. 19:1-2, 20; 20:1; John 1:17; Gal 3:15-18**)

- i. **Genesis 12:1** Now YAH had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:
 - ii. **2** And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:
 - iii. **3** And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.
 - iv. **Exodus 19:1** In the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai.
 - v. **2** For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to the desert of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount.
 - vi. **Exodus 19:20** And YAH came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and YAH called Moses up to the top of the mount; and Moses went up.
 - vii. **John 1:17** For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.
 - viii. **Galatians 3:15** Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto.
 - ix. **16** Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.
 - x. **17** And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before of ELOHIM in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.
 - xi. **18** For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise: but ELOHIM gave it to Abraham by promise.
- 2. Did Abraham give tithes to Melchizedek before or after the promises were made? (Gen. 12:1-3; 14:17-20)**
- i. **Genesis 12:1** Now YAH had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:
 - ii. **2** And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:
 - iii. **3** And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.
 - iv. **Genesis 14:17** And the king of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that were with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which is the king's dale.
 - v. **18** And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high ELOHIM.
 - vi. **19** And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high ELOHIM, possessor of heaven and earth:
 - vii. **20** And blessed be the most high ELOHIM, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all.
- 3. If Abraham paid tithes to Melchizedek after the promises were made, but hundreds of years before the law was given, does the giving of the law invalidate or void a system of giving (tithes and offerings) simply because it was also used during the period of the law? (NO)**

4. Since we can see that giving of tithes and offerings has apparently been part of YAH's plan since the fall of man, are we justified in changing it now, thousands of years later? **(NO)**

In the kingdom communities we should have all things common!

Acts 2:44 And all that believed were together, and had all things common;

45 And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need.

46 And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,

47 Praising ELOHIM, and having favour with all the people. And YAH added to the church daily such as should be saved.

Acts 4:31 And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of ELOHIM with boldness.

32 And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.

The Common Wealth of Israel:

Ephesians 2:1 And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;

2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

3 Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

4 But ELOHIM, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,

5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

6 And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

7 That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of ELOHIM:

9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which ELOHIM hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

11 Wherefore remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands;

12 That at that time ye were without Christ, **being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel**, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without ELOHIM in the world:

13 **But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.**

14 For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

16 And that he might reconcile both unto ELOHIM in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:

17 And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.

18 For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of ELOHIM;

20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;

21 In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in YAH:

22 In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of ELOHIM through the Spirit.

YAH GLOBAL KINGDOM:

Exodus 23:15 Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:)

16 And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.

17 Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before YAH ELOHIM.

The nations shall not appear before YAH empty handed either.

1. They will bring their tithe unto Israel (they will bring their best)
2. Israel will tithe unto YAH (the best of the best)
3. Everyone in Israel will have all things common.

Isaiah 61:1 The Spirit of YAH ELOHIM is upon me; because YAH hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;

2 To proclaim the acceptable year of YAH, and the day of vengeance of our ELOHIM; to comfort all that mourn;

3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of YAH, that he might be glorified.

4 And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations.

5 And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers.

6 But ye shall be named the Priests of YAH: men shall call you the Ministers of our ELOHIM: ye shall eat the riches of the NATIONS, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves.

7 For your shame ye shall have double; and for confusion they shall rejoice in their portion: therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them.

8 For I YAH love judgment, I hate robbery for burnt offering; and I will direct their work in truth, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.

9 And their seed shall be known among the Gentiles, and their offspring among the people: all that see them shall acknowledge them, that they are the seed which YAH hath blessed.

10 I will greatly rejoice in YAH, my soul shall be joyful in my ELOHIM; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.

11 For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so YAH ELOHIM will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations.