



GIVING IS A VERY BIG PART By Ken Dewy

GIVING IS A VERY BIG PART OF BEING A CHRISTIAN AND LIVING THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

**It is clearly stated that GOD GAVE FIRST in the fact that GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE..... "His Only Son" to die to save those who were lost. SO, GIVING BEGAN WITH GOD!
[John 3:16]**

We are told that we are to follow HIM and DO AS HE DOES. He is our perfect example. God GAVE and so are we to follow his lead and always be willing to Give.

In the Old Testament times God did receive Tithes and Offerings. The Scriptures tell us that the things done under the Old Covenant were types and shadows OF THINGS TO COME. So, we hold to the belief that it is still within Gods Plan to ask of his People TITHES.

Offerings are above the Tithes.

It is evident then that GIVING BEGIN IN THE OLD AND CONTINUES IN THE NEW COVENANT.

If anything, IN THE NEW COVENANT, WE SEE GOD EXPECTING MORE GIVING EVEN THEN HE DID. We have found out by experience of hearing His Voice, that He will ask more and wants all to GIVE BY FAITH EVEN OF ALL THEIR SUBSTANCE; AND TO GIVE JOYFULLY. THE LORD LOVES CHEERFUL GIVERS!

ALSO, in the Old Testament God did institute in the nation of Israel, 12 tribes. Out of all the twelve he did command ONE TRIBE THE TRIBE OF LEVI to support all the work of the Temple and the Priesthood. In this manner God supplied all the needs for everyone in the Worship Tabernacle and Temple.

'SO, IT IS TODAY. The Lord intends the People GIVE TO THE CHURCH which is his ON EARTH REPRESENTATIVES. When we give then we are to GIVE TO THE CHURCH.

Today in this World we know there are many Churches and Many scattered Ministry. One should follow God's Plan for SUPPORT OF HIS BODY MINISTRY and GIVE to those who the find their Food and Help from.

I HAVE SAID THIS TO SET BEFORE YOU THAT IT IS GODS WAY TO SUPPORT HIS MINISTRY AND IT IS NOT WRONG FOR AN ACTIVE MINISTER AND CHURCH TO ASK FOR FUNDS AND HELP. If the people stop giving, then THAT WOULD HURT THE OUTREACH AND ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHURCH. It then is a very serious matter: This Giving responsibility of every Believer.

SCRIPTURE TO CONSIDER:

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 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.