



# The Storehouse Blessing

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Part 1

# Biblical Truth – Not Opinions

There are two ditches to get stuck in: Messianic

- *“You're not a Levite and there is no temple”*
- *“People shouldn't be tithing to churches, only “offerings” apply”*
- **Berean Bible Church:** *"There is no New Testament mandate to tithe. Tithing was given to Israel, which was a theocracy. Tithing to Israel was taxation; it was to run the government."*
- **Messianic Light:** *"No tithe is ever required based on merchant trading or other business activities such as hunting, fishing, or mining, and never on wages or investments. Tithing was limited to the produce of the land and the livestock."*
- **Chaim Bentorah:** *"We are not commanded to tithe, but there is nothing to say that we cannot use the principle of the tithe as a guide to help defray the cost of maintaining a church building and paying salaries."*

# Biblical Truth – Not Opinions

There are two ditches to get stuck in: Prosperity Gospel

- “Sow a big seed, God will make you a millionaire.”
- “God will make you \$\$ RICH \$\$ He’ll do that for you”
- Norman Vincent Peale – *“Put God to work for you and maximize your potential in our divinely ordered capitalist system.”*
- Kenneth Copeland: *“I am a billionaire, because the assignment that the Lord gave me, He said: ‘I want you to begin to confess the billion flow.’”*
- Robert Tilton: *“God wants you to be rich, and He wants you to have the best.”*

# Biblical Truth – Not Opinions

- God clearly does want us to tithe outside of the Levitical Priesthood and Temple – This teaching is NOT focused on that.
- Rick Hackbarth did a great job touching on this subject a few months back:  
<https://www.youtube.com/live/zl4shx7lS2I>

1Cor 9:8-14 What I am saying is not based merely on human authority, because the Torah says the same thing — for in the Torah of Moshe it is written, "You are not to put a muzzle on an ox when it is treading out the grain." If God is concerned about cattle, all the more does he say this for our sakes. Yes, it was written for us, meaning that he who plows and he who threshes should work expecting to get a share of the crop. If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap a material harvest from you? If others are sharing in this right to be supported by you, don't we have a greater claim to it? But we don't make use of this right. Rather, we put up with all kinds of things so as not to impede in any way the Good News about the Messiah. Don't you know that those who work in the Temple get their food from the Temple, and those who serve at the altar get a share of the sacrifices offered there? In the same way, the Lord directed that those who proclaim the Good News should get their living from the Good News.

# Three main offerings:

## 1. Tithes (10%)

- **Definition:** A tithe means "tenth," and it refers to giving 10% of one's income or produce to God.
- **Purpose:** To support the Levites (priests) and the work of the Tabernacle/Temple.
- **References:**
  - **Leviticus 27:30:** *"A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the Lord; it is holy to the Lord."*
  - **Numbers 18:21:** *"I give to the Levites all the tithes in Israel as their inheritance in return for the work they do while serving at the tent of meeting."*
- **Examples:**
  - The Israelites gave 10% of their crops, livestock, and other produce.

## 2. Offerings (Freewill Offerings)

- **Definition:** Voluntary gifts given above and beyond the tithe. They were a way to express gratitude, worship, and devotion.
- **Purpose:** Used for various needs, such as building projects (e.g., the Tabernacle) or general worship.
- **References:**
  - **Exodus 35:29:** *"All the Israelite men and women who were willing brought to the Lord freewill offerings for all the work the Lord through Moses had commanded them to do."*
  - **2 Corinthians 9:7:** *"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."*

## 3. Alms (Charity for the Poor)

- **Definition:** Gifts given to the poor and needy, often done in secret to avoid pride or self-glory.
- **Purpose:** To provide for the less fortunate, as an act of compassion and mercy.
- **References:**
  - **Matthew 6:3-4:** *"But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret."*
  - **Proverbs 19:17:** *"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done."*

\* Firstfruits is connected to the tithe, there were also sin, guilt & peace offerings connected to sacrifice.  
Vows and special festival tithes.

# Cornerstone Text

Proverbs 3:9-10 Honor Adonai with your wealth and with the first of your entire harvest. Then your barns will be filled with plenty, your vats will overflow with new wine.

## Strong's H618

בִּצְלָה 'âsâm aw-sawm'

From an unused root meaning to *heap* together; **a storehouse (only in the plural): - barn, storehouse.**

# Storehouse Biblical Principle

- To help you understand how God provides for his children in the storehouse principle.
- Yeshua addresses this in the sermon on the mount!
- All throughout scripture, God speaks about the storehouse principle.
- Once you understand it, you will see it in operation everywhere!
- It's plural! Different kinds of barns, granaries, wine vats etc...
- Not everyone has the same kind storehouse.

# Storehouse Biblical Principle

- God does not want us to operate “hand to mouth”.
- “Hand to mouth” is not a scriptural principle or idea.
- God doesn’t want our focus to be on material only, seek first..
- Yeshua did not operate “hand to mouth”
- Abraham and Joseph had two different types for two different promises, callings and needs.
  - ❑ Abraham – His storehouse, and provision was on “the hoof”  
No land or inheritance, it was mobile!
  - ❑ Joseph 7 years of storage for the coming famine.



# Abrahams Storehouse

Gen 13:2 Avram became wealthy, with much cattle, silver and gold.

- Abraham's wealth was mobile, he didn't have lands and farms. It journeyed as he journeyed.
- That type of wealth and storehouse met his calling:

Heb 11:8-10 By trusting, Avraham obeyed, after being called to go out to a place which God would give him as a possession; indeed, he went out without knowing where he was going. By trusting, he lived as a temporary resident in the Land of the promise, as if it were not his, staying in tents with Yitz'chak and Ya`akov, who were to receive what was promised along with him. For he was looking forward to the city with permanent foundations, of which the architect and builder is God.

# Provision matches calling & purpose

Exo 3:8 I have come down to rescue them from the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that country to a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey, the place of the Kena`ani, Hitti, Emori, P'rizi, Hivi and Y'vusi.

- A land of “milk and honey” is mentioned 17 times in scripture, but not once for Abraham! He sojourned but never planted.
- Honey = Agriculture, planting fields, orchards, vineyards etc...
- Milk = Livestock
- Abraham had Livestock (Milk) but not Honey.

# Provision matches calling & purpose

- Abraham had a large force of 318 soldiers so he could exist in Canaan:  
Gen 14:14 When Avram heard that his nephew had been taken captive, he led out his trained men, who had been born in his house, 318 of them, and went in pursuit as far as Dan.
- Satan surely wanted to eliminate Abraham and negate all the promises God had made to Abraham!
- Larger purpose, larger provision
- Smaller purpose, smaller provision

Isa 58:11 Then Adonai will guide you continually, satisfy your soul in drought and strengthen your bones. You will be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail.

# Provision matches calling & purpose

- Yeshua had a specific calling and mission!
- He was never married
- He didn't have children
- 3 ½ year ministry that was aimed, specific and intense!
- His calling was Kingdom and the Cross!
- Different from John's ministry...
- You may not be called to die, but rather to family, provisions to provide will follow that calling.
- We think Yeshua was a wondering Hippie begging for food and shelter, that's simply not true he owned or rented a house (**Matt 9:28; 13:1, 36; Mark 2:1; 7:17; 9:28, 33; 10:10**) as did Paul (**Acts 28:30**). And had funds!

# The three storehouses:

Deut 28:1-2 “Now if you listen obediently to the voice of Adonai your God, taking care to do all His mitzvot that I am commanding you today, Adonai your God will set you on high—above all the nations of the earth. Then all these blessings will come upon you and overtake you, if you listen to the voice of Adonai your God:

1. Deut 28:5 Blessed will be your basket and your kneading bowl.
2. Deut 28:8 Adonai will command the blessing on you in your barns and in every undertaking of your hand, and He will bless you in the land Adonai your God is giving you.
3. Deut 28:12 Adonai will open for you His good storehouse—the heavens—to give rain for your land in its season and to bless all the work of your hand. You will lend to many nations, but you will not borrow.

# The three storehouses:

Immediate use, pantry, refrigerator, starter for the next loaf

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Intermediate use, a stockpile, longer term

2. Deut 28:8 Adonai will command the blessing on you in your barns and in every undertaking of your hand, and He will bless you in the land Adonai your God is giving you.

Heavenly Storehouse! For use here on earth!

3. Deut 28:12 Adonai will open for you His good storehouse—the heavens— to give rain for your land in its season and to bless all the work of your hand. You will lend to many nations, but you will not borrow.

# Yeshua's immediate use storehouse

- Yeshua had one! Judas kept it!

Joh 12:3-6 Miryam took a whole pint of pure oil of spikenard, which is very expensive, poured it on Yeshua's feet and wiped his feet with her hair, so that the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But one of the talmidim, Y'hudah from K'riot, the one who was about to betray him, said, "This perfume is worth a year's wages! (300 Denarii) Why wasn't it sold and the money given to the poor?" Now he said this not out of concern for the poor, but because he was a thief — he was in charge of the common purse and used to steal from it.

- They raised money through offerings and donations (Luke 8:3, Mark 2:15, Luke 7:36-38)
- They may have raised money through business
- Judas controlled the purse



# Yeshua's immediate use storehouse

John 6:5-7 so when Yeshua looked up and saw that a large crowd was approaching, he said to Philip, "Where will we be able to buy bread, so that these people can eat?" (Now Yeshua said this to test Philip, for Yeshua himself knew what he was about to do.) Philip answered, "Half a year's wages wouldn't buy enough bread for them — each one would get only a bite!"

- Philip is thinking logically only (reality), he's saying if we bought food with everything we have, its only enough for people to have a bit or two!
- This gives us an idea of what they carried, a half years wages is roughly 150 to 200 denarii.
- Yeshua and the talmidim carried a good, but modest purse for salaries, traveling, expenses and food.
- Yeshua relied heavily upon storehouse #1 & #3, He didn't have #2



# Immediate use and more!

- Immediate use is not suitable for long term provision, God wants us to have more than immediate use:

Pro 13:22 A good man leaves an inheritance to his grandchildren, but the wealth of a sinner is stored up for the righteous.

- Enough provision to bless your children's children!
- Also shares the idea of passing on trade/work & moral ethic – spiritual ethic.
- Wealth is money only, inheritance can be wealth, and more!
- It's there waiting for us to inherit wealth from the wicked.

# Leave a GOOD inheritance

Pro 13:22 A good man leaves an inheritance to his grandchildren, but the wealth of a sinner is stored up for the righteous.

- God blesses the righteous not only with money from the righteous before them, but also with a Godly heritage!
- A Godly inheritance trumps a material inheritance.
- It's better if you can inherit both!!
- You can make an impact for the Kingdom through generosity and ministry, an inheritance of wealth can help make that happen.

# Walk in fullness of inheritance

- Pirkei Avot 2:2 (Ethics of the Fathers), a text from the Mishnah.

*"He who does not teach his son a trade, teaches him to steal"*

- Teach our children about God, the Messiah and Biblical principles for an eternal inheritance that will continue to pass down generation to generation. **Exodus 20:5-6**
- Follow Biblical principles on tithing, generosity and storehouses to pass on wealth to your grandchildren! **Proverbs 13:22**



# Shabbat Shalom!

Part 2 Coming Soon

QUESTIONS  
AND  
COMMENTS

