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TEN REASONS WHY CHRISTIANS SHOULD TITHE

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"Bring ye the whole tithe into the storehouse."—Mal. 3:10.

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INTRODUCTION

Education in Christian Stewardship is fundamental to the progress of the Kingdom. Christians generally are uninstructed on this theme, but are rapidly awakening to its importance. Thousands have adopted the tithe as the minimum basis of giving, and no small number are adopting the true New Testament standard where all one may possess is held subject to the divine will.

For many years, the TEXAS CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY has been vitally interested in advancing the interests of Christian Stewardship. In 1917 this Society employed the very first Stewardship Secretary in Claude L. Jones, now of Houston, that was ever employed by Churches of Christ anywhere. They continued this ministry by employing H. E. Beckler as the second Secretary ever employed in this capacity. In 1918 under the direction of its Superintendent of Missions, the Society began an annual School for Evangelists, and as a regular course in this School, special instruction in Christian Stewardship has been given from year to year to all employees of the Society, so that every man employed actually becomes a Stewardship Evangelist. Thousands of pieces of free literature have also been distributed. The Texas Ministers have joined in this movement most heartily, and have probably delivered more sermons along this line than were previously delivered in all the history of the Restoration Movement in Texas. Fine progress has been made. In 1917 the per capita giving among disciples in Texas was \$1.02; in 1925 it had arisen to \$3.26 per capita. The average for two Churches in New Jersey, two Churches in Vermont, and 16 Churches in the District of Columbia with a total membership of 6469, is higher—otherwise Texas with more than ten times the membership, leads the Brotherhood.

During this same period the per capita giving has dropped in Kentucky from 73c to 54c; Iowa has gained from 67c to 97c per capita; Missouri from 64c to \$1.01; Illinois from 75c to \$1.11; Indiana from 56c to \$1.18; Kansas from 73c to \$1.30; North Cal-

ifornia from 95c to \$2.81 and South California from \$2.03 to \$2.91.

For the same period these States show the following net gain in membership: Iowa, 6%; Missouri, 8.8%; Illinois, 12.3%; Kentucky, 14%; Indiana, 21.9%; North California, 22.6%; Kansas, 25%; South California, 64.1% (South California has probably had the largest immigration of any state in the Union). TEXAS GAINED 46.3%.

Please note the relation between GROWTH IN GIVING AND GROWTH IN NUMBERS. We are proud of Texas, but we can and should do better.

Evangelist A. B. McReynolds is not only good in winning men for Christ by way of primary obedience, but he has few equals in the entire Brotherhood in getting the followers of Christ to recognize the law of the tithe. He enrolls large lists of tithers in every meeting. We are justly proud of his work, and are deeply grateful to Russel C. Hill of San Antonio Christian Church, whose liberality makes possible his employment jointly by the Brite College of the Bible and the State Society.

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I.

CHRISTIANS OUGHT TO TITHE BECAUSE THIS IS GOD'S PLAN

The idea of paying a tithe for the support of the Lord's work did not originate in the mind of some Elder, Deacon, Church treasurer or preacher. It did not originate in the mind of a Prophet or an Apostle. It did not originate even in the mind of the great Law-giver Moses, for Abraham and Jacob along with thousands of others paid tithes before Moses was born.

This plan, ONE-TENTH FOR GOD as the minimum, originated in the great mind of Almighty God himself, hence it is a divine plan. Jehovah said, "ALL THE TITHE IS THE LORD'S." (Lev. 27:30.)

That one-seventh of man's time should be dedicated to the Lord for HOLY purposes and one-tenth of man's income should be dedicated to the Lord's work are two great fundamental divine laws which originated in the mind of God Himself. They have become known as God's twin laws.

The most ancient history shows conclusively that the remotest nations known observed the law of the tithe in their worship. The Lord God made this plan a part of the fundamental law governing worship, and there is no record of his ever having changed this plan.

So the paying of the tithe is God's own plan for financing His work; don't you think that Christians ought to try it instead of using so many man-made schemes and devices which are such miserable failures?

II.

CHRISTIANS OUGHT TO TITHE BECAUSE GOD'S PLAN IS FAR BETTER THAN ANY MAN-MADE SCHEMES OR MAN-MADE DEVICES

There are many man-made schemes and devices used for raising money for the Lord, but all of them have been miserable failures. Possibly if man were perfect he would support the Lord's work adequately

on some VOLUNTEER plan, but he never has done so. Peddling soap or sandwiches, selling oyster soup or extracts, making quilts or running bazars for the Lord are all miserable failures, and a part of the humiliating "scrap-system" followed today.

The unworthy and unsatisfactory scrap system followed today by most churches is very much like our habit of eating all the fried chicken, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, salads, pie and cake that we can hold, and then giving whatever is left—the scraps—to the poor dog. Christians ever since the dark ages have been insulting our Lord and Saviour by giving to Him the scraps. First we pay the banker, the butcher and the baker; the doctor, the lawyer, and the grocer; the barber, and the "beauty specialist"; make the payment on the new car, buy our tickets to the picture show and the ball game; arrange for our vacations, make our investments, and pay our debts to men (some of them), and then insult our Lord and Master by the smallness of the "offering" we take out of the "scraps" that are left. And if there isn't any left we don't take anything to the Lord that week.

God gave the best that He had for us and He expects from us the best—not the scraps. God never was and never will be satisfied with the scraps. He must be FIRST in our hearts or He will not abide there at all. See Matt. 6:33.

It is freely admitted that in both the Patriarchal and Jewish Dispensations, GOD REQUIRED that His portion (THE TENTH) be brought to Him FIRST—before even the necessary living expenses were taken out—He was to be paid the minimum of the tithe.

If you will investigate those individuals and those churches that are using God's plan for financing His work you will not hesitate to testify that God's plan is far better.

III. **CHRISTIANS OUGHT TO TITHE BECAUSE TITHING PRODUCES GOOD FRUITS**

Jesus said, "BY THEIR FRUITS YE SHALL KNOW THEM." (Matt. 7:16.) The "fruits" of the

Divine plan have always been better than the "fruits" of the "scrap-system." Churches thrive and grow in a marvelous—almost miraculous—manner, when they use this Divine plan. Attendance at the Bible School, Prayer meetings, Church services, etc., is usually many times as great as in churches using the scrap-system. One authority recently stated that 87% of the storehouse tithers were regular attendants at all church services. Few churches using the scrap system can boast of half their members at all services.

Then under this system the treasury is no longer habitually empty, but there is a full treasury to meet all the needs of the local work, to satisfy the cry of the widow and the orphan, to send the Gospel to the unsaved at home and beyond the seas. When a church becomes a faithful, consistent, tithing church, the offerings usually increase from one hundred to one thousand per cent. But the best result of all is the **DEEP, GLORIOUS TIDE OF SPIRITUALITY THAT RISES WITHIN, AND SWEEPS OVER THE ENTIRE CHURCH.** Consistent, conscientious storehouse tithers are happy, consecrated, spiritual disciples. **WHY?** The Lord says, "**WHERE YOUR TREASURE IS THERE WILL YOUR HEART BE ALSO**" (Matt. 6:21). And the storehouse tithers place their treasure in the hands of Jesus Christ, and a dedication of life to the Master is the natural consequence of the dedication of substance.

The tithing church is a thriving church—a growing, developing, expanding church. Illustrations: There is a small communion with less than one-sixth the membership of the disciples of Christ, which sent out some fifty-five new Foreign Missionaries in a single year and still had **SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS** left in their treasury. **THEY PRACTICE TITHING.** In the same period the Christian Churches with six times their membership managed to send out twelve new Foreign Missionaries, and found themselves in debt five hundred thousand dollars. **WE ARE NOT A TITHING CHURCH.**

Texas is filled with **STRUGGLING CHURCHES**, most of which are using the scrap-system of finance, and are therefore unable to have **EVEN ONE-**

FOURTH TIME PREACHING. Most of them are dying, and the members indifferent. **BUT IF THEY WOULD ONLY USE GOD'S PLAN OF FINANCE, THE DIVINE PLAN, BRINGING THE LORD'S HOLY TITHE INTO THE LORD'S STOREHOUSE EACH LORD'S DAY** by far the greater part of these could have full time services, and could have a worthy part in helping to evangelize a lost world. We know the Lord's plan is best for everything else; **WHY NOT TRY HIS PLAN FOR FINANCING HIS DIVINE WORK?**

IV.

CHRISTIANS OUGHT TO TITHE BECAUSE JESUS RAISED INSTEAD OF LOWERED STANDARDS

We challenge anyone to show where Jesus lowered a standard of the Old Testament. Instead He taught that more is required of the Christian living under the glorious rays of the Christian dispensation than was ever required of the old Jew.

Notice in the following examples whether he lowered the standard and required less, or raised it and required more.

(1) "Ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old, Thou shalt not kill; but I say unto you . . . **WHOSOEVER SHALL SAY THOU FOOL SHALL BE IN DANGER OF THE FIRE OF HELL.**" Matt. 5:21, 22. Did Jesus raise the standard or lower it?

(2) "Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt not commit adultery: but I say unto you, **THAT EVERYONE THAT LOOKETH ON A WOMAN TO LUST AFTER HER HATH COMMITTED ADULTERY WITH HER ALREADY IN HIS HEART.**" Matt. 5:27, 28. Did Jesus raise the standard or lower it?

(3) "Ye have heard that it was said, Thou shalt love thy neighbor, and hate thine enemy: but I say unto you, love your enemies, and pray for them that persecute you." Matt. 5:43, 44. Did Jesus lower the standard or raise it? Such examples are many. He said, "Except your righteousness **EXCEED** the righteousness of the scribes and Phari-

sees, ye shall in no wise enter the kingdom of Heaven." Matt. 5:20. The scribes and Pharisees were zealous tithers—tithing even garden vegetables, and while Jesus condemned them for neglecting justice, mercy and faith, HE COMMENDED THEM FOR TITHING MINT, ANISE AND CUMMIN. Matt. 23:23.

When it is remembered that the world-wide program of Jesus requires infinitely more than did the narrow, national program of the Jews, how can anyone think of Jesus requiring less of us today?

God said it was fair, just and right for His people before Christ came to set aside the tenth for His divine program. He even compelled His people to keep the tithe holy unto Him. In those days there were no orphans' homes, no homes for the aged, no Christian hospitals, no great call for ministerial relief, and no great commission to send the Gospel to every continent, every nation and every inhabited island of the seas. The world-wide program of Jesus Christ requires dollars where the little narrow program of the Jews required nickels. This being true do you think that we can be accepted by the Master as faithful stewards and profitable servants if we pay less than the tithe to our Lord?

Jesus raised the standards here as elsewhere. The early church and the Apostles under the compulsion of both law and love realized this and many of them brought all that they had and laid it at the Apostles' feet (Acts 4:37), and "NOT ONE OF THEM SAID THAT OUGHT OF THE THINGS WHICH HE POSSESSED WAS HIS OWN." Acts 4:32.

Do you not think we OUGHT to lay at LEAST the TENTH at the Master's feet?

V.

CHRISTIANS OUGHT TO TITHE BECAUSE JESUS SAID "YE OUGHT" TO DO THIS

On at least two different occasions Jesus in speaking of paying the tithe said, "THIS YE OUGHT TO HAVE DONE." "Woe unto you scribes, Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye tithe mint, anise and cummin, and have left undone the weightier matters of the law, justice and mercy and faith; these things ye

OUGHT TO HAVE DONE, AND NOT TO HAVE LEFT THE OTHER UNDONE." Matt. 23:23. See also Luke 11:42. In no uncertain terms Jesus says, "Ye ought"—should we not obey?

But some dear old brother who is more anxious to protect his pocketbook than he is to advance the Kingdom will object by saying, "JESUS WAS SPEAKING TO JEWS—PEOPLE LIVING UNDER THE OLD TESTAMENT DISPENSATION." Yes, almost everything that Jesus said and did up to the time of His crucifixion, was to and for Jews. If this is thrown out because of this fact, then you will be forced to discard about all the teachings of the Gospels so far as we are concerned. Of course we know that not all of it applies to our day and generation, but who can conceive of the Master saying to the half blinded Jew of His day, "Ye ought to tithe," and NOT REQUIRING FAR MORE OF THE ENLIGHTENED CHRISTIAN OF TO-DAY? Jesus said, "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and UNTO GOD THE THINGS THAT ARE GOD'S (Matt. 22:21), and the Lord God says that the tithe is His; that it is holy unto Him. No student of the Scriptures will attempt to show that less is expected of us under the New Testament—MORE IS JUSTLY EXPECTED AND MORE IS REQUIRED. Is it not leaning pretty heavily on GOD'S MERCY TO EXPECT HIM TO SAVE US WHEN WE WITHHOLD THE MINIMUM OF THE TITHE—the portion that He has always said was a fair and just portion to be placed in His hands?

VI.

CHRISTIANS OUGHT TO TITHE BECAUSE JESUS HAS ORDAINED THAT THE TITHE SHOULD BE USED FOR THE PROCLAIMING OF THE GOSPEL

In the beginning the church was wholly Jewish; they knew what they "ought" to do in this matter, but the Gentile church at Corinth needed instruction and you will find Paul's instruction on this subject in the 9th chapter of I Corinthians. Paul explains God's financial plan for supporting the Levitical

Ministry, noting the fact that the Levites ate "of the things of the Temple," and had "their portion with the Altar." And it was the tithe that was brought to the temple. "EVEN SO"—(in identically the same manner), "DID THE LORD" (even Jesus) ORDAIN (enact by law) "THAT THEY THAT PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL" (ministers at home and abroad) "SHOULD LIVE OF THE GOSPEL" (1 Cor. 9:14); that is, the Jews brought a tithe of all their increase to the Temple and this was devoted to the support of the Levites. After the same pattern Christians of today are to bring the tithe of all their increase to the house of God in worship and this is devoted to the support of those who preach the Gospel at home and beyond the seas. Can anything be more simple and plain?

Jesus is not only our King, but He is our Priest. When He said, "Ye OUGHT to tithe" and when He "ORDAINED" that the tithe should be used in support of the preaching of the Gospel, He spoke as King. In the 7th chapter of Hebrews, Paul discusses Him as priest, ("FOR IT IS WITNESSED OF HIM, THOU ART A PRIEST FOREVER AFTER THE ORDER OF MELCHIZEDEK," Hebrews 7:17), and shows the superiority of His Priesthood over that of the Levitical priesthood by the fact that HE TITHES HIS PEOPLE. Paul points out that Abraham, the father of the Levitical priesthood, and therefore representing the Levites, paid tithes to Melchizedek, thus showing that their priesthood was inferior to that of Melchizedek, and showing that the priesthood of Levi was a perishing priesthood, while that of Melchizedek, to which Jesus belonged, is eternal. Comparing the two in verse 8 he says, "HERE" (in the Levitical priesthood) "MEN THAT DIE RECEIVE TITHES: BUT THERE" (in the eternal Priesthood of Melchizedek) "ONE OF WHOM IT IS WITNESSED THAT HE LIVETH" (JESUS) receives tithes. The argument has no value except as the right and habit of Jesus in receiving tithes is recognized. If Melchizedek, the type of Christ, received tithes, then Christ the antitype must receive them, and if He receives tithes, then certainly we OUGHT TO PAY THEM AND THUS OBEY HIS ORDINANCE, AND RECOGNIZE HIS PRIESTHOOD.

CHRISTIANS OUGHT TO TITHE BECAUSE OF HISTORICAL PRECEDENT

Ancient history records that all ancient nations tithed. When the Hebrew nation was later formed it was natural for God to require "tithes and offerings" of them. When the "Kingdom of God" was set up—the Church formed—it was natural for the standard to be raised, and for the Christian to be required to hold all he might possess subject to the will of God; but this did not DO AWAY WITH PAYING THE MINIMUM OF THE TITHE.

As a communion we have contended for more than a hundred years that "approved Apostolic precedent is equal to Divine command." On that basis we have justified the observance of the Lord's Supper each Lord's Day. (See Acts 20:7.)

Because the early church under the leadership of the Holy Spirit guided and directed Apostles, met on the first day of the week, we contend that it is therefore the proper day for us to meet to honor our Saviour.

Because the early church under the leadership of the Holy Spirit guided and directed Apostles practiced immersion, we contend that it is therefore proper for us to practice immersion.

And the same historians, both Christian and pagan who testify that the Apostolic church met on the first day of the week and observed the Lord's Supper each Lord's day, and practiced immersion, also testify to the fact that the members of this same church were tithers, and that the Christians continued to be tithers until about the fourth century when paganism and Romanism got in control and the true church of God almost wholly disappeared. During the Dark Ages the ordinances of the true Church were either corrupted or discarded, and tithing was abandoned because unscrupulous laymen diverted the revenues of the church to their own personal, and often wicked, purposes. The Bible was taken away from the people and they were kept in ignorance of God's will. But under the compelling power of such giants in the faith as Zwingli, Luther, Calvin, the Wesleys and the Campbells, the New

Testament Church was largely restored and at last a GREAT AWAKENING IS SWEEPING THROUGH THE CHURCH CONCERNING STEWARDSHIP, AND THOUSANDS OF CHRISTIANS FORMERLY BLINDED BY GROSS COVETOUSNESS, ARE COMING TO KNOW AND TO FOLLOW GOD'S PLAN OF CHURCH FINANCE AND WE ARE FACING THE DAWN OF A NEW DAY IN WORLD EVANGELISM.

VIII.

CHRISTIANS OUGHT TO TITHE BECAUSE CONSCIENCE IS NOT A SAFE GUIDE WHEN DETERMINING WHAT PORTION OF OUR MONEY SHOULD BE USED FOR THE LORD

Many accept conscience as a true guide, forgetting that conscience will approve what we **THINK** is right and condemn what we **THINK** is wrong.

There are churches all over the world where thousands of otherwise faithful Christians accept a substitute for Christian Baptism and their conscience tells them they have been baptized, but that does not make it so.

The approval of conscience in the portion of money to be dedicated to the Lord, proves absolutely nothing. That otherwise faithful Christian has never been found whose conscience told him that he was covetous—that he was robbing God. Catholic priests say that their church members have confessed to them that they were guilty of almost every sin in the world, but none of them ever confess that they are “short-changing” God.

When such a vital organ as one's pocketbook is concerned you can't trust your conscience.

There are churches throughout America where a poor, but generous man, drops in a fifty-cent piece and a rich man by his side, who is blinded by covetousness, drops in a dime or a nickel, and both of them have the approval of their conscience. The fact is that conscience is a poorer guide where money is involved than anywhere else, because covetousness, which is **NEVER** recognized, is so general.

The question then is, "HOW MAY ONE KNOW WHEN HE IS RIGHT—WHETHER OR NOT HE IS PUTTING A FAIR PORTION OF HIS INCOME INTO THE HANDS OF THE SAVIOUR EACH LORD'S DAY?" God has spoken; in the past and He said that it was fair, right and just that man dedicate the tithe (the tenth) to Him. God has placed the stamp of His approval upon this portion and at no time and in no place has He voiced His approval of a smaller portion. Jesus spoke in no uncertain terms also approving the tithe (Luke 11:42, Matt. 23:23) and the only safe and sane thing to do is to bring the "WHOLE TITHE INTO THE STOREHOUSE," the church, as He has commanded; then you need have no doubts nor fears about not having at least brought the portion that God has said belongs to Him and is to be "Holy unto Him."

Unless you are at least bringing the tithe to God do you have any assurance whatever that you will be accepted as a faithful steward and a profitable servant?

Remember your conscience is not a safe guide.

IX.

CHRISTIANS OUGHT TO TITHE BECAUSE GOD ORDAINED THIS LAW FOR MAN'S BENEFIT AND NOT FOR THE BENEFIT OF HIMSELF

A study of God's fundamental laws will convince us that God makes laws not for His own benefit but for man's benefit. Man is the loser and not God when man fails to keep God's laws. Man is the one who gains when he keeps God's divine laws. To illustrate:

(1) GOD HAS ORDAINED THAT MAN SHOULD LIVE A CLEAN, CHASTE LIFE.

Did God ordain that law for man's benefit or for God's benefit? If man lives a clean, pure, chaste life in harmony with God's divine law, man is wonderfully blessed in that respect. But if a person lives a corrupt, sinful and impure life, he is compelled to suffer an awful penalty in a wrecked

home, wrecked life, loathsome diseases, etc.

(2) GOD HAS ORDAINED THAT MAN DEDICATE ONE-SEVENTH OF HIS TIME TO HOLY PURPOSES.

If man does not keep this law man is the loser. Physicians and scientists have discovered that the human body is so constituted that unless we rest one-seventh of our time to allow the broken down cells and tissues to be repaired and replaced, we are bringing on premature death, or organic weaknesses that could otherwise have been avoided. This is God's eternal law. Nothing is more restful than worship; hence God has ordained that one-seventh of man's time should be used in worship—dedicated to Holy purposes. The man who keeps this law enjoys peace, comfort, and abiding happiness; while the man who fails to keep one-seventh of his time holy, is to that extent bringing on the wrecking of both the physical and spiritual man. So we see that God ordained this law for man's benefit.

(3) THE LAW OF THE TENTH WORKS EXACTLY THE SAME WAY.

The law of the seventh and the law of the tenth are known as God's twin laws. And God has ordained that man dedicate the tenth to holy purposes for the same reason that He ordained that man should dedicate the seventh to holy purposes—but for his own benefit. Those who bring the Lord's Holy Tithe to his storehouse have discovered that the remaining nine-tenths, plus God's blessings, partnership and help go farther and amount to more than the whole ten-tenths, trying it alone.

Since God has ORDAINED THIS LAW FOR MAN'S BENEFIT, DON'T YOU THINK MAN OUGHT TO KEEP IT?

X.

**CHRISTIANS OUGHT TO TITHE
BECAUSE GOD IS PLACING THE STAMP
OF HIS APPROVAL ON THIS DIVINE
PLAN TODAY BY PROSPERING THOSE
WHO PRACTICE IT**

“BRING YE THE WHOLE TITHE INTO THE
STOREHOUSE, THAT THERE MAY BE FOOD

IN MY HOUSE" (the treasury not empty all the time) "AND PROVE ME NOW HEREWITH SAITH JEHOVAH 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."

Malachi 3:10. It is true that God made this promise to a different people living in a different dispensation, but He has demonstrated to thousands of Christians living under the Christian dispensation that He is equally willing to bless people who make this covenant with Him today. People of all denominations who are faithfully bringing the Lord's Holy tenth, to the Lord's Holy place, each Lord's Day, have discovered to their joy and satisfaction that God will bless today those who keep the law of the tithe just as He promised to do of old.

HOW CAN WE FIND OUT WHETHER OR NOT MALACHI 3:10 APPLIES TO US TODAY?

The answer is by trying it out. God is willing to be your Partner today in the biggest problems of all, which are plain old dollar and cents problems—trying to make good financially! He challenges you to try Him out. "PROVE ME NOW HEREWITH." Try Him! Take out the Holy Tithe and carry it to the storehouse (the church) each Lord's Day, keep books on it, be conscientious about it, and at the end of the year when you balance up the books you will find, as thousands of others have discovered, that NINE-TENTHS PLUS GOD'S BLESSINGS, GOD'S ASSISTANCE, AND GOD'S HELP will go farther and be worth more to you than the ten-tenths you used alone.

Thos. W. Kane of Chicago for forty years lectured and traveled over the U. S., distributed several million tracts and while he advertised freely for one, yet in all his investigations he never found one sincere, consistent, conscientious storehouse tither whom God had failed to bless. Arthur A. Everts, prominent jeweler of Dallas and ex-president of the Retail Jewelers' Association of America, has been searching in his travels all over the U. S. and abroad for 28 years, and he has never found a storehouse tither whom God didn't bless. And the author of this treatise has been preaching on storehouse tithing and signing up tithers in several

states and of the more than a thousand that he has signed up, not one has ever written that God did not bless him, and that **NINE-TENTHS PLUS GOD'S HELP** was not better than ten-tenths without His help.

Try this plan, set aside a tenth of your next check or of every dollar you receive, take it to the **STORE-HOUSE** (the church) each Lord's Day, keep books on it, then at the end of the year write the author, if God has not blessed you.

What this divine plan brings in the way of blessings to individual Christians it brings in multiplied blessings to the churches where tithers work and worship. A tract on this subject, "**WHAT TITHING HAS MEANT TO SOME TEXAS CHRISTIAN CHURCHES**," prepared by the author of this treatise, will be mailed to you upon request.

When we have converted both our hearts and our **POCKET-BOOKS** we can win the world to Christ.

I want to take this opportunity to recommend a most excellent book on this subject which has just come from the press. It is prepared by a man who is an outstanding authority on tithing, one who has given a life-time to studying the subject. This book is "**FINANCING THE KINGDOM**." The author is our own Superintendent of Texas Missions, Bro. J. B. Holmes. This book can be secured from the **CHRISTIAN BOARD OF PUBLICATION, ST. LOUIS, MO.** It can be used for Bible Classes, mid-week Study Classes, Stewardship Classes, and as an excellent gift to friends or loved ones. The Texas Christian Missionary Society of Fort Worth, Texas, will gladly send other literature. Any evangelist of the Society will gladly discuss the subject further with you. By all means get right with God.

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