What's This Tithe All About? Genesis 14:17-24; Malachi 3:7-12

Faith Pleases God

Illustration: Abraham

Faith Gives to God at Least the First 10% of Everything

GENESIS: The tithe was initiated <u>before</u> the Law LEVITICUS: The tithe was <u>codified</u> under the Law MALACHI: The tithe was <u>restored</u> following the exile MATTHEW AND LUKE: The tithe was <u>reinforced</u> by Jesus HEBREWS: The tithe was <u>universalized</u> through Melchizedek

When we tithe, we show:

**Putting God first. (Deuteronomy 14:23b)

**Setting our heart right. (Matthew 6:21)

**A life to be blessed by the Lord. (Malachi 3:10)

Tithing is a visible expression of our trust in the invisible God.

The Tithe Goes to the Local Church

Imperative #1: Return

Imperative #2: Bring

Imperative #3: Test

Imperative #4: See