

# TITHING: APPRECIATING BLESSINGS – PART 1

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## Part 1 – 1<sup>st</sup> Tithe – To appreciate and support those who serve

**Deut 8:1-20** – We are commanded to appreciate & never forget the source of all blessings

**Lev 27:30-34** – the first mention of tithing by name

- All the tithe belongs to Yahweh. It is set-apart to Yahweh
- If a man redeems any of his tithes, he adds a fifth to it

**Num 18:20-30** – Levites to receive the tithe

- Israelites are instructed to give tithes and offerings to Yahweh
- The tithes that belonged to Yahweh were to be given to the Levites
  - It was given to the Levites because they were to spend all of their time doing the work of service of the Tent of Meeting
  - This was to sustain them in place of having an inheritance like the other tribes
- The Levites were to give a tithe of the tithe to the Cohanim

**Gen 4:3-7** – Qayin and Chebel

- **Verse 7** mentions sin which we know is transgression of the Torah
  - **1 John 3:4** – defines sin as lawlessness

**Gen 14:16-20** – Avram gives a tenth to Malkitsedek

- Malkitsedek – Shem – Avram's ancestor

**Gen 28:20-22** – Yaacov pledges to tithe to Yahweh

- Most likely they would have been given to Malkitsedek – Shem

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## Part 2 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tithe – To appreciate Yahweh and celebrate His Feasts

**Deut 14:22-29** — exchanging the tithe for money – linked to the Feasts

- **Verse 22** – “Year by year” – no carry over from year to the next
- **Verse 29** – We are to do all of this so that Yahweh does bless us in all the works of our hands

