

Prophet's Column

"Tithing"

by Jim Little BA-SS

For quite some time I have wanted to bring a message on "tithing". There is so much twisting of the Scriptures today and it is being done by un-called and untaught preachers and teachers. God's Word says that all of the Lord's children are taught of the Lord (Isa. 54:13).

The believer loves the Word of God and he loves the Lord Jesus Christ. Listen if you can: "He that is of God heareth God's words; ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God (Jn. 8:47).

Everything in the universe, in Heaven, on earth, in Hell, or under Hell, belongs to God. "The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein (Ps. 24:1). Now get this: "Behold, all souls are mine;" (Ez. 18:4. "For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. I know all the fowls of the mountains; and the wild beasts of the field are mine (Ps. 50:10-11). Let me tell you something friends, you and I don't own one thing! Everything belongs to God. You may hold the earthly title or deed, but it still belongs to God.

Everyone, rich or poor, is commanded by God to tithe. The tithe is one tenth of all your income. "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse... (Malachi 3:8-10). We see in this Scripture that not only is tithing to be done by the individual, but also by the nation. Every nation is to give God the tithe. Every level of government, federal, state, and local. God says you are to tithe. Failing to do so, you are robbing God and when you as an individual or nation refuse to tithe, you are automatically putting yourself under a curse! That is one of the main reasons why this nation is in such a financial mess today! You are robbing God by not tithing! Every agency is supposed to tithe.

Now the question arises, where am I to bring the tithe? Where do you worship? It is not necessarily where you attend church, but where Christ preached and revealed to your hearts. Some of you have said that our messages going out each week that you read are setting forth Christ to your heart. Well, then you are tithing in the tithe here. Since you say I am declaring the truth as it is in Christ and you can't hear the truth in your church, then here is the place you are to send in the tithe.

When I was brought under Holy Spirit Conviction, I saw that everything belonged to God and I would never be saved as long as I was withholding God's tithe. Let me say this: no sinner will ever get saved as long as he robs God by not surrendering the tithe. The tithe is HOLY unto the LORD (Lev. 27:30). Now someone will jump up and say, Brother Little, that was in the Old Testament under the Law. Well, bless your heart, it was. But did you ever know that Abraham gave tithes to Melchizedek long before the Law was given? You didn't know that, did you? (see Gen. 14) A preacher told me some time ago that tithing was not for us today because the tithes were to be brought in to the storehouse and there are no storehouses today. The storehouse is where Christ is preached. The reason you won't tithe is because you have a covetous heart and you have never been broken at the feet of Christ. The Scripture says the tithe is HOLY unto the LORD. That is, it is sacred, and you are going to recognize it as sacred unto the Lord before you are ever saved.



J.M. Little

Many put up the excuse: I am too poor to tithe. I only receive a small pension or welfare check. Well, God is not going to change His Word for you. No man is too poor to tithe. To withhold the tithe is to rob God of that which is HOLY unto Him. If your income is only a dime, then one penny is HOLY unto the Lord. Remember: He that is of God, heareth God's Word. If you argue against the tithe, then your argument is with God alone and you'll have to meet Him!

For Scripture references on tithing and God's ownership see Lev. 27:30,32; Gen. 28:20; Gen. 14:20; Gen. 28:22; Prov. 3:9-10; Mal. 3:8-10; Num. 18:21; 2 Chron. 31:5; Neh. 10:37; Heb. 7:5; and 1 Cor. 16:2.

The argument also has been put forth that tithing is not taught in the New Testament. You listen to the Word of God; "Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not leave the other undone" (Matt. 23:23). So the Lord Jesus Christ, who is the same yesterday, today, and forever, put His stamp of approval on tithing. And you will obey your Lord in tithing before you are saved and after you are saved! If you hear the Word of the Lord, then you obey. Are you in obedience to Christ? Do you know Him?

The reason men in and out of the pulpit won't tithe is because you have a covetous heart that has never learned God's ownership and the Lord-

ship of Jesus Christ. You may make excuses but God will not accept one of them. You may plead the Law as an excuse but that won't hold. Then if those of old tithed under the Law surely you ought to tithe and you say you are under grace. Before the Lord saved me, He settled the money issue in my life. One day I was up at the bank and I made that statement to an officer there. If I wanted to take some money, every opportunity is available to me because much money is given to me in cash and with my name on the checks. But the Lord Himself settled the money issue in my life long before He revealed Christ to my heart. Thousands of dollars have come through my hands since the Lord laid this work on us. Just recently I was going over the large figure with someone. You may not trust me with your money, but my Lord trusts me with His money. It's all the Lord's money anyway. Not one penny has stuck to my fingers. I know there are preachers who are hogs after money. Ninety-nine and nine-tenths percent of our preachers have never learned the Lordship of Jesus Christ. I am satisfied the Lord is going to accomplish all He pleases in my life. And no one is going to stop me until He has finished with me. There is not a disease abroad, a gun loaded, or a knife tempered that is going to snuff out my life until my Lord is through with my testimony. The Lord is going to get His message out even if you don't give to support it. May the Lord turn you unto Himself.

Roses Difficult But Can Be Worth Effort

BY Woody Upchurch
Special to the Post

Roses are not the easiest flowers to grow, but the use of a few principles of rose culture can help assure success. N.C. Agricultural Extension Service horticulturists suggest the following:

Select a well-drained site where your roses will receive full sun for at least half the day. The best soil for roses is a rich, clay loam, slightly acid with a high organic content. Roses can be planted in early spring in all areas of North Carolina. They can also be planted in the fall in areas where the temperature seldom falls below five degrees. When setting the plants, dig the hole large enough for the roots to spread out in their natural position. Make the hole deep enough so the "nub" or crook in the main stem where the plant was budded is one inch above the surface after the soil settles. The soil mix in the planting hole should be about one-fourth peat moss or well rotted cow manure. Roses need large quantities of nutrients, and cow manure is one of the best fertilizers you can use. On established plantings, work two or three inches of cow manure into the soil a-

round the plants in early spring. When the first flower buds appear, broadcast two to three pounds of 8-8-8 fertilizer or the equivalent per 100 square feet. Work the fertilizer into the soil and then water thoroughly so the fertilizer will soak down to the roots. If you have mulched your roses, you can apply the fertilizer on top of the mulch, if you will water thoroughly afterwards. Continue applying 8-8-8 at four-week intervals until early fall. Liquid fertilizer is practical for roses, but be careful. It is concentrated and can injure the plants if not properly diluted.

Acker Wins

Undergraduate

Paper Award

David W. Acker, 1709 Tamworth Drive, Charlotte, won first place in the 1979 Best Undergraduate Paper Award of the North Carolina Political Science Association. Acker is a senior political science major at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. His paper, titled "Mexican-United States Economic Relationships: A Center Periphery Approach," was originally written for Professor Robert Mundi's honors course in political science at UNCC during the 1978 fall semester. The UNCC student plans a career in international business.

Dr. James Barber
Is UNCC Speaker

Dr. James David Barber, author of the controversial book "Presidential Character" which predicted the downfall of Richard Nixon, will speak at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte Friday, April 20, at noon in Room 3, Cone University Center.

Sponsored by the Political Science Department, the lecture is free to the public.

Dr. Barber will speak on "Presidential Politics and the Media King-Makers." He is currently James B. Duke Professor of Political Science at Duke University. His work on the role of personality in presidential success has been widely cited in the press and has sparked many constructive debates among academicians.

League Of Women

Voters Updates

Their Directory

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg League of Women Voters has updated its directory of elected officials, called "They Represent You," and is distributing it free throughout the city.

The 1979 version of the directory, including elected officials in Washington, Raleigh and Mecklenburg, is available at all public libraries and party headquarters.

The leaflet includes addresses of officials, committee assignments and tips on communicating with the officials. Single copies are available by mail by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the League of Women Voters, 212 Providence Road, Room 201, Charlotte, N.C. 28207.

Arrangements can be made for bulk orders by calling Karen Gaddy, 333-2256.

Miss V.L. Adams

Enlists In U.S.

Air Force

Vivian L. Adams, daughter of Mrs. Lizzie Glasgow, of 2700 Kenhill Drive, has enlisted in the US Air Force.

Airman Adams, a 1975 graduate of Harding High School, joined under the Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program (DEP), which allows her to accumulate time in the Air Force Reserve until she enters active duty on May 7, 1979.

Sergeant Steve Dagenhart, Air Force recruiter in Charlotte, stated that Airman Adams successfully completed a series of tests which qualified her for the morse systems field of training.

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Bosses Banquet

More than 800 Distributive Education students, employers, educators, and special guests will attend the annual Distributive Education Bosses Banquet at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, April 26 at the Charlotte Civic Center.

Each DE student has written a letter expressing why his/her employer is such a good "boss". Each high school selects one boss as a representative, and from these ten winners, the DE "Employer of the Year" is selected. The contest is conducted and judged by the students.

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Take Notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is an absolute divorce.

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This the 11th day of April, 1979.

C. Yvonne Mims Chambers, Stein, Ferguson & Becton, P.A. Attorneys for the Plaintiff 951 South Independence Boulevard Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

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Notice is hereby given that the City of Charlotte has filed an Application for Community Development Block Grant Funds authorized by the Housing and Community Development Acts of 1974, 1977, and 1978. The Application was submitted to the Area Office of the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, 415 N. Edgeworth Street, Greensboro, North Carolina, April 17, 1979. Copies of the Application may be reviewed and are available to interested parties at the Office of the Community Development Department, Suite 510, Cameron-Brown Building, 301 S. McDowell Street, Charlotte, North Carolina, the Office of the City Clerk and the Public Information Office, both located at City Hall, 600 E. Trade Street, Charlotte, North Carolina, during normal business hours as required by sec. 570.303 (i) (4) Consolidated Regulations for Community Development Block Grants, Federal Register, March 1, 1978.

Persons wishing to object to approval of an application by HUD may make such objection known to the appropriate HUD Area Office. HUD will consider objections made only on the following grounds: The applicant's description of needs and objectives is plainly inconsistent with available facts and data; or the activities to be undertaken are plainly inappropriate to meeting the needs and objectives identified by the applicant; or the application does not comply with the requirements of the law; or the application proposes activities which are otherwise ineligible under the law.

Such objections should include both an identification of the requirements not met and, in the case of objections made on the grounds that the description of needs and objectives is plainly inconsistent with significant, generally available facts and data, the data upon which the persons rely. Although HUD will consider objections submitted at any time, such objections should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of the notice that the application has been submitted to HUD. In order to ensure that objections submitted will be considered during the review process, HUD will not approve an application until at least 45 days after receipt of an application.

Anyone wishing to object to the Application submit your objections in writing to the Director, Area Office of the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, 415 N. Edgeworth Street, Greensboro, North Carolina.

ADVANCE NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids, subject to the conditions herein, will be received until 2:00 P.M. Friday, June 1, 1979 in the office of the Airport Manager, Douglas Municipal Airport, by the City of Charlotte, North Carolina and then opened and publicly read for furnishing all labor and materials and performing all work connected with the site preparation of aircraft parking ramps, terminal complex and access roads at Douglas Municipal Airport, Charlotte, North Carolina.

The contract will consist of the following work:
-grading and construction of required embankment
-clearing and grubbing
-installation of sanitary sewer main including manhole
-installation of storm drainage piping system including concrete drainage structures
-turfing and mulching

Preliminary plans and specifications are on file at the Engineer's Office and the Project Manager's Office:
Engineer's Office **Project Manager's Office**
Talbert, Cox & Associates, Inc. Day & Zimmermann, Inc.
P. O. Box 3231 (901 East Douglas Municipal Airport
Boulevard) Charlotte, North Carolina
Charlotte, North Carolina 28219
28203

The preliminary plans and specifications will be made available for review during office hours from 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.

Final plans, specifications and bid documents may be obtained from the Engineer's Office after 9:30-7:30 upon deposit of \$100.00. Half of this deposit will be returned, except to the successful bidder, upon receipt of bids and provided a bona fide bid has been submitted.

Bids will be based upon not less than the minimum rates of wages as predetermined by the Secretary of Labor, a schedule of which is contained in the General Provisions of the specifications. The bidder's attention is invited to Section 100 of the Standard Specifications to revised labor provisions and equal employment opportunity.

Each bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond, deposit of cash or by a certified check payable to the Treasurer, City of Charlotte, North Carolina and drawn on some bank or trust company authorized to do business in the State of North Carolina, for an amount equal to 5 percent of the total base bid as a guarantee that, if the bid is accepted, the required contract will be executed and the required performance and payment bond furnished.

Only one contract will be awarded for the work in its entirety. Where alternate bids are called for, all bidders must bid both base and alternate items. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive formalities and technicalities. Bids will be required to remain open for acceptance or rejection for sixty (60) calendar days after the date of opening of bids.

Notice is hereby given to all Bidders that this "proposed contract is under and subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965 and to the equal opportunity clause," and "the Bidder (Proposer) must supply all the information required by the bid or proposal form."

Notice is hereby given that each bid will contain a provision for M.B.E. participation. Goals will be established for a percentage of the total dollar value of the contract to be performed by M.B.E.

Compliance with M.B.E. participation standards is a requirement for a bid to be considered responsive.

Envelopes containing Proposals must be sealed; addressed to Mr. R.C. Birmingham, Jr., Airport Manager, Douglas Municipal Airport, P.O. Box 27066, Charlotte, North Carolina 28219 and marked as follows: "Proposal for Site Preparation for Terminal Complex."
David A. Burkhalter
City Manager

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