

### **23. Abram responded to a unique blessing by Melchizedek**

The king brought bread & wine and blessed Abram. You did not receive the blessing from Melchizedek, nor were your "enemies delivered into thine hand" (Gen 14:18-19)

### **24. Abram tithed only of all the spoils**

He did not tithe of his income (Heb 7:4)

### **25. It was a one time tithe**

Abram never paid another tithe to Melchizedek

### **26. There is no command to follow Abram's pattern**

### **27. Melchizedek's tithe was not a Jewish law tithe**

It is not subject to the same tithing laws.

### **28. Melchizedek was a king & priest** There are no kings or priests in the body of Christ.

### **29. Christ is the priest of Israel not of a carnal commandment**

Christ's priesthood was like Melchizedek in that it is without end and not by the carnal commandment. His similitude was not to collect tithes of carnal things (Heb 7:16)

### **30. Your pastor is not the High Priest**

Jesus Christ alone claims this high priestly office.

### **31. The tithe from Abram proved a greater priesthood than the Levitical**

So then why would pastors claim to be spiritualized priests like the Levites over Israel?

### **32. The law was insufficient**

The continual required law tithe was only needed because the priests' work was never done. The Melchizedek priesthood proves that the Levitical law and priesthood was insufficient — it could not make perfect (Heb 7:12)

### **33. Christ's priestly tabernacle is not earthly or built with hands — Heb 9:11**

It is a sure guarantee that the pastors who teach tithing are doing so to pay for an earthly, hand-built building

### **34. Christ's priestly function was performed for the Hebrews**

The book about Christ's priesthood is addressed to the remnant of Hebrews who were participants in the new covenant. We are not Hebrews under the covenants.

### **35. Christ is not collecting tithes**

Christ's one-time priestly work for the Hebrews is finished (Heb 7:27 & 9:28). Those who pretend to collect for him are doing so without authority.

### **36. The new covenant was for Israel and Judah — Heb 8:10**

It replaced the old to the same people. Gentiles were and are strangers from Israel's covenants of promise (Eph 2:12)

### **37. Our Head is Christ and our pattern is Paul, who did not tithe to a local church — 2 Cor 12:15**

### **38. You are the body of Christ**

Our complete position in Christ precludes us from an obligated tithe to another member of the body. We are all members of each other, and not one of us is above another.

### **39. Giving as you purpose in your heart is far greater than giving out of necessity — 2 Cor 9:7**

# **39 Reasons You Should Stop Tithing**

Among pastors there is a terrible abuse of using law tithing to place the church back under the condemnation of the law.

This must be stopped.

*"Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake." Titus 1:11*

Jesus Christ taught the church through Paul that in this dispensation of grace, there is a better way of giving without the law.

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