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A TOPIC OF TITHING

Welcome friends again to the Word in Meditation. I trust your weekend was refreshing, and that now you are ready to look forward to this, another week, in the Lord. Let us pray.

"Father in heaven, we praise and thank you for your bountiful love and mercy. We thank you for your teaching and for our growth from it. In Jesus' Name, amen.

We are no longer under the old law in any way or fashion. The old law is just what it says, 'old.' We are under a new law. The law of faith. I am not saying that the old testament is invalid. I am not saying that it has no place in our lives or that we cannot learn from it. I am saying the old law has given way to the new because there was no way we could be justified by works.

Galatians 2:16 says, "Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by works of the law shall no flesh be justified."

We can take nothing from the old law to use for our personal gain. There has been much discussion over Malachi 3:10, which states, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD 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." If the Bible is wrong on one point it is wrong in all. Conversely, if one point is right, all is right. The Bible is right.

We live under a new testament, and our faith is built upon better promises; thus, there is no need to *prove* God; that is, put Him to the test even though He said we may. If we, who are saved by faith, ask God to prove Himself we are saying we do not trust Him because He is not credible.

I see that our time is gone. Be sure and tune in tomorrow. We will talk on this subject all week. We are New Testament people. The old way is gone. If the devil can keep us in bondage to old ways, we will not be moving forward as we should, to maturity in faith.

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us.