

## Wealth

### Do You Need a Financial Miracle?

Start doing this and watch what the LORD YEHOVAH will DO!!!

Terumah:

The teaching on Terumah, 1<sup>st</sup> tithe, 2<sup>nd</sup> tithe is unfortunately not well known or taught to the body of Christ today. Here are some terms, a practical example and attached verses that I use when teaching. This represents the way the Hebrews and the early church biblically managed their giving from Genesis through the fourth century A.D.

Terms:

1. Bikkurim: first fruit offering
2. Terumah: first fruit offering that is
  - a) High and lifted up
  - b) Presented to the Cohen, Rabbi or Spiritual Authority that is speaking the Kingdom of God into your life
3. Maaser Rishon: first tithe that is brought to the storehouse where you are fed whether it is a church, ministry, home group etc
4. Maaser Sheni: second tithe to yourself. God cares as much about your savings account as he does about His own house.
5. Maaser Ani: tithe to the poor, homeless, widows or orphans. It is part of the second tithe. Every third time you pay your second tithe to the poor in lieu of Maaser Sheni.
6. Free will offerings and alms giving are also an optional part of God's divine system of giving and are not covered in this summary document.

Terumah Simplified:

Step One: Give your Terumah/First fruits offering. Terumah is 1/40<sup>th</sup> or 2.5% of your total increase.

Step Two: Give your Maaser Rishon. The first tithe is 10% of your total increase.

Step Three: Give your Maaser Sheni/Maaser Ani. This tithe is based on your net income after Terumah and the first tithe are taken out. The first two times this tithe goes to your savings account. The third time you pay this tithe you give it back to the poor, homeless, widows or orphans. (People that can't pay you back).

Practical example on \$1,000 gross increase:

1. Terumah equals \$25.00
2. Maaser Rishon (first tithe) equals 10% of \$975 (\$1,000 - \$25) which equals \$97.50.
3. Maaser Sheni/Ani (second tithe) equals 10% of the \$1,000 gross minus your Terumah and first tithe. So, your second tithe total would be \$1,000 minus \$25 Terumah minus \$97.50 first tithe for a total second tithe gross amount of \$877.50. This would result in a net amount of \$87.75 for your second tithe.

The whole system of giving is referred to colloquially as Terumah. Terumah is mentioned 80 times in the original Hebrew texts of the Old Testament. For example, in the Hebrew, Malachi 3:8 "tithes" is the first tithe and the word translated "offerings" is the word "Terumah".

The Jewish people of Constantine's day had 4% of the population and 40% of the wealth because of Terumah. This was the main reason Constantine started the income tax system in 325 A.D., according to the Nicene Fathers. Terumah's meaning was gradually changed by the state church to be the first prayer of the day. When the King James translators encountered Terumah in 1611, they didn't know its roots in Hebraic history or true meaning.

Terumah is the way the Hebrew people and early Christians handled their money and prospered. There wasn't any question about it. Terumah/first fruits was also made mention of by Jesus, Paul and Jude. It applies not only to finances but to many other principals temporal and spiritual.

The bottom line is that everyone that we have personally seen embrace this biblically based system of giving/living has seen blessings and immediate results.

From teaching by Shane Willard

### **Trading Floors**

In these meetings we open the trading floor.

Whenever there is a revelation that you and I want to come about in our own lives...

We trade into it right then and there; \$1 or any amount.

The Lord Yehovah Jireh honours our desire and immediate action right there.

It is fun and honouring for every revelation HE brings to land on our hearts.

Whether we receive it or not is up to us individually.

It is interactive and not religious, therefore it breaks the old religious mindset of one time offerings and causes us to pay attention to what we are truly receiving in our spirits.

Come and participate with this new mindset of giving into the Kingdom of Yehovah, but receiving a full reward for your desires to come to pass. We seek the fullest revelations from this corporate time together.

\*\*\* We provide some change for those who didn't come prepared. It is not a money charging table as it is simply an exchange! It is also a good idea to prepare for these meetings by going to the bank and changing your notes to coins or collecting them before you come.