

## CHAPTER 20

## Jesus is the Last Legitimate Tithe: Hebrews 10

The death of Jesus Christ was the last legitimate and acceptable tithe to God. In contrast, any offering designated as a tithe given to God after Christ's death testifies that the death of Christ was an insufficient sacrifice for our sins. Certainly, though, those who participate in the financial tithe do not consciously believe or state this. Preachers do it because of its immense profitability, and regular church people do it because they've been erroneously taught that God requires it. Few participants understand the spiritual significance of their misguided actions.

### Spiritual Purpose of the Tithe

The deepest, most fundamental and prophetic purpose of the Old Testament tithe is its representation of the offering of Christ's blood to pay for our sins. This truth is echoed in thousands of Christian books and sermons. It is taught in hundreds of Christian colleges and seminaries. It is a mainstream Christian doctrine that is shared by Christian denominations and organizations that are otherwise deeply divided on doctrinal issues.

We all rally around Scriptures that refer to Christ as "the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world" (John 1:29), "Christ, our