

## Dear fellow believers in the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY !

If you are a regular tithing payer, you are now to understand, that for now in this time of revival and reformation, paying tithing is no more to sustain the Organization and its ministers as ever before as according to only Malachi 3 : 10. With all the prophecies and parables of Jesus, have been now interpreted in our midst in the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY, we are to pay tithing to sustain the message prophesied by Malachi the prophet, even by the all old testament prophets, which is the message of purification of the Laodicean Church. Therefore, let us no more to base our habit of paying tithing upon only Malachi 3 : 10 independently away from the whole chapters of the book of Malachi. *“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.”*

Accompanying the next article on the prophecy of Malachi, we have attached to you herewith a message from Sister Ellen G. White in the following words :

“Those who are truly converted will regard themselves as God’s almoners and will dispense, for the advancement of the work, the means He has placed in their hands. If Christ’s words were obeyed, there would be sufficient means in His treasury for the need of His cause. ....

“Never was there a more important time in the history of our work than the present. The message of the third chapter of Malachi comes to us, holding up before us the need of honesty in our relations to the Lord and His work. My brethren, the money that you use to buy and sell and get gain will be a curse to you if you withhold from the Lord that which is His.

“My brethren and sisters do not spend a large amount of time and money on self, for the sake of appearance. Those who do this are obliged to leave undone many things that would have comforted others, sending a warm glow to their spirits. .... He who is self-centered loses countless opportunities for doing that which would have brought blessing to himself and others.

“God has provided for everyone pleasure that may be enjoyed by rich and poor alike – the pleasure found in cultivating pureness of thought and unselfishness of action, the pleasure that comes from speaking sympathizing words and doing kindly deeds. From those who perform such service, the light of Christ shines to brighten lives darkened by many sorrows.

We need now to esteem souls above money. “— 9 Testimony for the Church, pp. 53, 56, 57.

## **Paying Tithe to sustain The message of the purification of the Church**

“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.”

**Malachi 3 : 10.**

**T**he book of Malachi the prophet is a book of prophecy. As well as the other prophetic books of Isaiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, and the book of Revelation etc. are yet to be interpreted in the time of the end, the prophetic words of Malachi must also be first interpreted before taking them into practical doing. However, the fact is the church has taken the Malachi 3 : 10 apart of the whole context of the prophecies of chapter 3 and chapter 4. That is why, instead of teaching us the Malachi 3 : 10 according to the true meaning of the prophecy, they just show us the verse as a special rule of regulation to oblige the people to pay tribute to the Organization.

The book of Malachi was first written by the prophet between the year 445 and 397 before Christ. Whereas the practical doing of paying tithes had been known far back to the time of Abraham. This is more than 1500 years prior to the time the Malachi 3 : 10 was first written. In Hebrew chapter 7 we could read for ourselves that Abraham was a faithful tithe payer to Melchisedec, the priest of God.

The tradition of paying tithes has been maintained up to the time of the Israelites in the time of Moses. And even up to the time of the prophet Malachi himself, when he began to write the book of prophecy, especially the prophetic words of chapter 3 and 4. And now in this time of the end, when the prophecies have been revealed in the midst of God’s people, we should be able to make use of

them carefully, so that the tithes would go right to the sustenance of the proclamation of the message in the prophecy.

## The prophecy of Malachi 3 and 4

*“BEHOLD, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts. But who may abide the day of his coming? And who shall stand when he appeareth? For he is like a refiner’s fire, and like fullers’ soap: And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.*

*Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the LORD, as in the days of old, and as in former years.*

*And I will come near to you to judgment: and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right, and fear not me, saith the LORD of hosts.*

*For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed. Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them. Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the LORD of hosts. But ye said, wherein shall we return?*

*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, 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.*

*And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.*

*And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightful land, saith the LORD of hosts.” -- – **Malachi 3 : 1 – 12.***

*“FOR, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.*

*But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.*

*And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts.*

*Remember ye the Law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.*

*Behold, I will send you E-li-jah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.” -- Malachi 4 : 1 – 6*

## **Elijah, the messenger of God, to prepare the way before the coming of the Lord to His temple on earth**

The two chapters of Malachi speak of a messenger called by the name Elijah, the prophet, who is to come to prepare the way, before the Lord comes suddenly to His temple, before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord, when he comes to His temple on earth. Since this prophecy has not yet fully met its fulfillment up to now, then it must certainly apply in force to the people of God at this time. Mrs. White said :

*“Prophecy must be fulfilled. The Lord says : ‘Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord.’ S o m e b o d y is to come in the spirit and power of Elijah, and when he appears, men may say : ‘You are too earnest, you do not interpret the Scriptures in the proper way. Let me tell you how to teach your message.’—Testimonies to Ministers, p. 475.*

Somebody is to come in the spirit and power of Elijah that is, an antitypical Elijah the prophet, is to come with a message. But he will be opposed and the message will be rejected by the church. That is why when he appears they may say: *“You are too earnest, you do not interpret the Scriptures in the proper way.”* And this is the reason why Mrs. White further said :

*“Solemnly evildoers were warned of the day of judgment to come and of Jehovah’s purpose to visit with swift destruction every transgressor. Yet none were left without hope; Malachi’s prophecies of judgment were accompanied by invitations to the impenitent to make their peace with God. “Return unto Me,” “and I will return unto you.” **Malachi 3 : 7.***

*“It seems as if every heart must respond to such an invitation. The God of heaven is pleading with His erring children to return to Him, that they may again co-operate with Him in carrying forward His work in the earth.” – **Prophets and Kings, p. 706.***

## **The Judgment : first for the dead and second for the living**

The third angel’s message of Revelation 14 : 6 – 9 is the message of the judgment of the dead. And the fourth angel message of Revelation 18 : 1 by Bro. Victor T. Houteff is the message of the judgment for the living. At the end of the 2300 prophetic days of Daniel 8 : 14, Jesus entered the most holy place in the heavenly sanctuary, to accomplish the work of purification of the church, through the process of investigative judgment. So the judgment began with the investigation of the dead (book work), and then follows the investigation of the Living. Mrs. White told us of the judgment in general as in the following words :

*“The coming of Christ as our high priest to the most holy place, for the cleansing of the sanctuary, brought to view in Daniel 8 : 14; the coming of the Son of man to the Ancient of Days, as presented in Daniel 7 : 13; and the coming of the Lord to His temple, foretold in Malachi, are descriptions of the same event ; and this is also represented by the coming of the bridegroom to the marriage, described by Christ in the parable of the ten virgins, of Matthew 25.” – **The Great Controversy, p. 426.** And later she said :*

*“The Judgment is now passing in the sanctuary above. Forty years has this work been in progress. Soon – none know how soon -- it will pass to the cases of the living. In the awful presence of God our lives are to come up in review. At this time above all others it behooves every soul to heed the Savior’s admonition, ‘Watch and pray, for ye know not when the time is.’” – **The Spirit of Prophecy, vol. 4, p. 315.***

And when the antitypical Elijah the prophet came in 1929, to prepare the way for the coming of the Lord to His temple on earth, to execute judgment upon those who oppose the messenger and his message, he also warned us the following words :

*“The judgment of the Living on earth commences with Ezekiel 9, but in heaven (in the books) after Ezekiel 9. The judgment of the Living is in two phases : The first phase is a separation that takes away the wicked from among the righteous, Ezekiel 9. The second phase is the book work when the investigation takes place, and when the sins of the righteous and the names of the wicked are blotted out of the records in Heaven. This second phase, the judicial session in Heaven, is what commences after Ezekiel 9.” – The Symbolic Code, vol. 12, No. 3, pp. 19, 20.*

## **The Tithes and Offerings of God Robbed By His own people**

The coming of the message of the prophet found the people robbing God of His tithes and offerings. Because they will not let their tithes go to sustain the prophet and his message. They won't recognize the message of Malachi to be the prophecies of judgment, which is the judgment for the living when the Lord Jesus will suddenly come to cleanse His temple on earth. Although the prophet had warned: *“But who may abide the day of his coming? And who shall stand when he appeareth? For he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap: And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.”— Malachi 3 : 2 – 4.* They even hardened their heart to their end.

By the mouth of Malachi the prophet, and even by Ellen G. White, the Lord asked :

*“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, 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.*

*And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.” I saw that this scripture has been misapplied to speaking and praying in meeting. The prophecy has a special application to the last days, and teaches God's people their duty to bring a proportion of their substance as a freewill offering to the Lord.” – Testimonies, vol. 1, p. 222.*

*“Solemnly evildoers were warned of the day of judgment to come and of Jehovah's purpose to visit with swift destruction every transgressor. Yet none were left without hope; Malachi's prophecies of judgment were accompanied by invitations to the impenitent to make their peace with God. “Return unto Me,” “and I will return unto you.” **Malachi 3 : 7.***

*“ It seems as if every heart must respond to such an invitation. The God of heaven is pleading with His erring children to return to Him, that they may again co-operate with Him in carrying forward His work in the earth.” – **Prophets and Kings, p. 706.***

### **A curse pronounced upon them who robbed God of His tithes and offerings**

**“Ye are cursed with a curse : for ye have robbed Me, even this whole nation.” – Malachi 3 : 9.**

For those who persistently rejected the antitypical Elijah and his message, they will keep on saying: Wherein have we robbed thee? The servant of the Lord said:

*“The message to the church of the Laodiceans is a startling denunciation, and is applicable to the people of God at the present time. .... The Lord here shows us that the message to be borne to His people by ministers whom He has called to warn the people is not a peace-and-safety message. It is not merely theoretical, but practical in every particular. The people of God are represented in the message to the Laodiceans as in a position of carnal security. ....*

*The plain message of rebuke to the Laodiceans is not received. Many cling to their doubts and their darling sins while they are in so great a deception as to talk and feel that they are in need of nothing. They think the testimony of the Spirit of God in reproof is uncalled for or that it does not mean them. Such are in the greatest need of the grace of God and spiritual discernment that they may discover their deficiency in spiritual knowledge. ....*

*In my last vision I was shown that even this decided message of the True Witness had not accomplished the design of God. The people slumber on in their sins. They continue to declare themselves rich and having need of nothing. Many inquire: Why are all these reproofs given? Why do the testimonies continually charge us with backsliding and with grievous sins? We love the truth; we are prospering; we are in no need of these testimonies of warning and reproof.” – **Testimonies for the Church, vol. 3, pp. 253, 254.***

Here again we see, that the message of the antitypical Elijah is identified as the message to the Laodiceans. It is the same message from the True Witness to the Laodiceans, which is the Seventh-Day Adventists. It is understandable that due to their continual refuse to accept the message, they will also refuse to let their tithes and offerings go to sustain the message. And that is the reason why the Lord has to utter their doom by the words : *“Ye are cursed with a curse, for ye have robbed Me, even this whole nation.”*

It is a specific curse pronounced to them who have sinned against the Holy Spirit. They have been fallen into an irretrievable pit of sin. Even the whole nation, that is, the whole General Conference of SDA and all their diehard followers in the world.

However, since the day of the purification of the church is yet in the future, the Lord in His great mercy would still plead with us the following words:

*“Solemnly evildoers were warned of the day of judgment to come and of Jehovah’s purpose to visit with swift destruction every transgressor. Yet none were left without hope; Malachi’s prophecies of judgment were accompanied by invitations to the impenitent to make their peace with God. “Return unto Me,” “and I will return unto you.” **Malachi 3 : 7.***

*“It seems as if every heart must respond to such an invitation. The God of heaven is pleading with His erring children to return to Him, that they may again co-operate with Him in carrying forward His work in the earth.” – **Prophets and Kings, p. 706.***

### **Spiritual Blessing promised to them, who have welcomed Elijah and sustained his message**

*“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.” – **Malachi 3 : 10***

It is a specific blessing to be poured out from the windows of heaven. IT is not the material blessings as assumed by many of us, because we have never seen before a Seventh - day Adventist who for the abundance of his material blessings that many of his brethren would have had enjoyed a share of the bounty. But we have testified by ourselves, that despite poor in the material blessings and even in the back-ground of education, Ellen. G. White and Victor T. Houteff have received the specific blessing promised to them, that the whole world in this time of the end could have enjoyed with them the messages of the angels of Revelation 14 : 6 – 9, and Revelation 18 : 1.

Today not only Seventh-Day Adventists are paying tithes according to Malachi 3 : 10, but other Christian Churches also pay their tithes on the basis of Malachi 3 : 10 to sustain their ministers and their activities. And the fact that other Christians are more materially blessed than the Seventh-Day Adventists, is by

itself proven that the statements of Malachi 3 : 10 have been falsely interpreted among us.

Dear Brother! Are you an honest and a regular tithe payer? We are now living in the time of the prophecy of the Malachi 3 to be enacted. Let it be remembered, that you will have made your peace with God successful to return unto Him only when the following requirements could be met,

- (1) To welcome the antitypical Elijah the prophet and his message,
- (2) Bring all the tithes and offerings unto the storehouse of the Lord, which is now available with the class of the five wise virgins in the SDA church.
- (3) Be fully convinced that the messages of Elijah the prophet, is the meat in due season to be sustained by the tithes and offerings of God.
- (4) Be fully convinced that implementing to the full the obligation of tithe paying as stipulated in the whole Malachi prophecies of judgments, not only in the Malachi 3 : 10, is meant to return to make peace with God.

### **To whom is the material blessings promised ?**

*“A n d I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts. And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts.”—*

**Malachi 3 : 11 – 12.**

Spiritual blessing is usually promised ahead of the material blessing. Jesus Himself had ever said : *“But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.”* – **Matthew 6 : 33.** In other words : Seek ye first the spiritual blessing; and all other things of the material blessings, shall be added unto you.

Both the blessings are closely inseparable, because they are sustaining each other. This is marked by the word, “A n d,” which combined the two verses of the blessings. The material blessing is promised to only those who have achieved the spiritual blessing. For the intelligent reader, may it be clear, that the blessings in the light of the prophecy of Malachi are not the same blessings enjoyed by most of our people today in the churches.

The material blessings promised to us will never exceed the capacity of our accommodation. Because it depends upon the capacity of the tilled ground to produce. The more grounds we have tilled, the more products will result. Let us remember that the material blessing does not come out of heaven. So there is no

promise to assure us of a material blessing to come out of heaven, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

**The Tithe of God  
to sustain the New Light of Elijah Message**

Prophecy and Its History	God's Messenger/ The Prophet	His Message	The Counterparts	The Function
Prophecy	Elijah (Malachi 3:1; 4:5)	Elijah's Message	Loud Cry of The Message of The Angel of Rev. 18 : 1  Offering Gold, White Raiment and The Eye-Salf (Rev. 3 : 14 - 22)	To prepare SDA people to meet JESUS here in His Temple in Palestine Malachi 3 : 1 Rev. 14 : 1
History	Victor T. Houteff (TM, p. 475)	The Shepherd's Rod Publications	The Call for a spiritual Revival and Reformation --- The 144,000 elects of God, Review and Herald, Febr. 25, 1902 The Shepherd's Rod, vol.1	

**It is the same message with several names**

In the prophecy of Malachi the messenger and his message were called by the name:” the spirit and power of Elijah.” This is actually the message of the antitypical Elijah the prophet. In the past prophet Elijah (the type) was known of his critical condemnation against the king of Israel and all his iniquities. The antitypical Elijah of today is of the same message, which is to rebuke the angel of the church of Laodiceans for his spiritual lukewarm ness. From the pen of Mrs. White we read :

*“Ahab regarded Elijah as his enemy because the prophet was faithful to rebuke the king’s secret iniquities. So today the servant of Christ, the reprove of sin, meet with scorn and rebuffs. Bible truth, the religion of Christ, struggles against a strong current of moral impurity. Prejudice is even stronger in the hearts of men now than in Christ’s day.” – The Desire of Ages, p. 587.*

However, he also offered them gold tried in the fire, to make them rich, white raiment to cover up their nakedness, and the eye-salf to make them recover their eye-sight. All these contained in a package, which is preparing the way before the coming of the Lord to His temple on earth. And from the following passage we read :

*“But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? For he is like a refiner’s fire, and like fullers’ soap: And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.”*

This is even to show us that there is to be a process of a purification of the church, because many may not abide the day of his coming, and shall not be able to stand when he appears. For the Lord shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto Him an offering in righteousness. The sons of Levi must inevitably represent the 144,000 first fruits of the harvest from within the church, who are in turn may offer unto the Lord the second fruits of the unnumbered company from the harvest outside the church.

Due to the fact that there is to be only one message left to proclaim in this time, then it is the same message prophesied by the prophets of old, which is now identified by several names as follows:

1. The fire and the sword of the Lord : in Isaiah 66 : 16
2. The knowledge and the doctrine: in Isaiah 28 : 9 – 11.
3. All truth and the things to come : In John 16 : 13.
4. The sealing message of the 144,000 : In Ezekiel chapter 9.
5. The Judgment of the Living : In Malachi 3 and 4
6. The message of the angel of Rev. 18 : 1 in combination with the third angel’s message of Rev. 14 : 6 – 9.
7. The message of the Shepherd’s Rod : in Micah 6 : 9.
8. The message of the purification of the church : in Malachi 3 and 4.
9. The Spirit and power of Elijah : Malachi 4, Test. To Ministers, p. 475
10. The golden oil in the bowl of the pictorial prophecy of Zachariah 4.
11. The gold, white raiment and eye-salf : In Rev. 3 : 17.
12. The Call for a Spiritual Revival and a Spiritual Reformation. : Review and Herald, Feb. 25, 1902.
13. THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY : in Rev. 12 : 17; 19 : 10 margin.
14. Meat in due season : Matthew 24 : 45
15. Present Truth. : “There are many precious truths contained in the Word of God, but it is ‘*present truth*’ that the flock needs now.” – Early Writings, p. 63.

## **Your Question Answered**

**Question :**

When we let our tithes and offerings go to any other organization, does it not mean to step off the foundation the Lord has established? What is meant by the following quotation :

*“The Lord has declared that the history of the past shall be rehearsed as we enter upon the closing work. Every truth that He has given for these last days is to be proclaimed to the world. Every pillar that He has established is to be strengthened. We cannot now step off the foundation that God has established. We cannot now enter into any new organization; for this would mean apostasy from the truth.” – 2 Selected Messages, p. 390.*

**Answer :**

Organization, in the light of the Spirit of Prophecy, means the General Conference of SDA, or the angel of the church of Laodiceans. From the historical fact, the Laodicean church emerged in 1844, and the angel of Laodiceans was born in 1863. With the establishment of the General Conference in 1863, he then organized all the Seventh - day Adventist churches into an organized body; consist of the Laodicean Church on the one side, and the angel of Laodiceans on the other side. The servant of the Lord said :

“I tell you, my brethren, the Lord has an organized body through whom He will work. There may be more than a score of Judases among them; there may be a rash Peter who will under circumstances of trial deny his Lord; there may be persons represented by John whom Jesus loved, but he may have a zeal that would destroy men’s lives by calling down fire from heaven upon them to revenge an insult to Christ and to the truth. But the great Teacher seeks to give lessons of instruction to correct these existing evils. He is doing the same today with His church. He is pointing out their dangers. He is presenting before them the Laodicean message.”--  
**Review and Herald, vol. 6, p. 515.**

The Lord has established the Church as an organized body based upon the Law and the Testimony, which has been developed into THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY, which is just the Laodicean message indeed. And even upon the same foundation, following the call for a spiritual revival and a spiritual reformation in the Review and Herald, Feb. 25, 1902, Bro. Houteff, have had to re-organize the General Conference of SDA into the now the General Association of Davidian SDA on its present location in Waco, Texas, USA.

Since General Conference of SDA as the angel of Laodicea was born from the mother church of the Laodiceans, then to get the General Conference of SDA be r e o r g a n i z e d, it must also be carried out by the church, not by the angel of

Laodicea himself. That is the reason why Bro. Houteff and his followers had to carry out the re-organizing process themselves. Although only very few in number at the outset of the establishment of the General Association of Davidian SDA in Waco, Texas, USA, they have performed well their duty according to the message of the Laodicean, which is THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY.

So we have not entered into any new organization, because we have never stepped off the foundation that God has established in the midst of His own people.

## **C o n c l u s i o n**

Tithes and offerings are no more new in our ears, because ever since in the time of Abraham, the rules of paying tithes and offerings have been familiarly practiced by the people of God up to the time of the end. However, the rules of paying tithes and offerings prophesied in Malachi chapter 3 are indeed very new and good news for us, because prior to the revelation of Malachi prophecies of the judgment we will have always been rebuked for robbing God.

The messenger of the Lord has arrived, and although he is now dead since 1955, he has been succeeded by a divinely appointed ministry, that by the message of the Shepherd's Rod the work of preparing the way before the Lord coming unto His temple on earth is advancing on. He is the messenger of the Lord, the antitypical Elijah, whose message is now awakening us to the judgment which is now going on in the heavenly court. Through the prophecy of Malachi chapter 3 the Lord calls on us to return unto Him to make peace with Him. And that calling must be accepted by returning unto Him all the tithes and offerings to sustain the message.

*“There are only two places in the universe where we can place our treasures, --- in God's storehouse or in Satan's; and all that is not devoted to God's service is counted on Satan's side, and goes to strengthen his cause.”* – **Counsels on Stewardship, p. 35**

*“A tithe of all our increase is the Lord's. He has preserved it to Himself, to be employed for religious purposes. I t i s h o l y. Nothing less than this has He accepted in any dispensation. A neglect or postponement of this duty will provoke the divine displeasure. If all professed Christians would faithfully bring their tithes to God, His treasure would be full.”* – *R & H, May 16, 1882.* – **Counsels on Stewardship, p. 67.**

