

I Believe In The Kingdom Keys Of Financial Increase

Malachi 3:1-11 You are not ready for the full manifestation of the power and presence of God until you have settled the issue of tithes and offerings. One of the crucial things God directed Malachi to talk about was the tithe and offering. Until you get your tithing and giving right, according to the word of God, you can pray, fast and rebuke the devil all you want, but there will be certain things that will not happen for you until you determine to make a quality decision in this area. A quality decision is a decision from which there is not turning back. You must get to the place where you obey God with your tithe and offerings because God commanded you to do it. Once you make a quality decision in this area, you can expect God to work mightily on your behalf.

In **verses 7 and 8**, God is asking the question as if you have not considered that it is possible for Him to be robbed. If you are not a tither and a giver of offerings, you are a thief. Robbery is not just stealing, but stealing where you do bodily and physical harm in the process. God is saying when you rob Him in tithes and offerings, you causing harm to His body; the church. When you rob God, you are not just hurting yourself which is bad enough, but you are hurting the body. Your stealing is affecting other people in the local fellowship where you worship.

You are cursed with a curse. The first curse means to execrate. The word execrates means the opposite of the word consecrate. To consecrate means to set apart for holy use. It means to separate from the normal stuff. When you rob God in the tithe and offerings, you are cursed which means you are no longer special, different, set apart or reserved for His use only. Any spirit can now use you, including the devourer. To execrate means to lack covering. You have a crack in your covering that allows all sorts of destruction into your life.

The second word for curse means to bitterly disregard. You are cursed with the disregard of God. God is not paying attention to you as He would like. He cannot regard you as He would like because you are cursed. The only way to remove the curse from your life is by you becoming obedient in this area. See **Malachi 3:1-12**. It is the portion you give to God that produces all of the rest. It is not what you keep that blesses you, but what you give to God that brings increase. Obedience is the only thing that can change disobedience. You are to bring the entire tithe into the storehouse. That is the remedy for the curse and cursing. When you fully obey God, He will then rebuke the devourer for your sake. "You will be a delightful land", says the Lord. The solution is obedience. The solution is in bringing the entire tithe into the storehouse.