Sunday, 12-15-24

LUKE 1:26-38

"<u>A Merry Christmas in the Mist of Dilemmas</u>"

MALACHI, 3:8-12

"Will A Man Rob God?"

DISCERNMENT.OF.SPIRIT_ PHOENIX.AZ V-9 N-3 TUESDAY_ 60-0308 Every man ought to have a church home. You ought to have a place, not just to float about from pillar to post, but have somewhere that you go to church and you call it your church, somewhere you pay your tithe, and somewhere that you help support the cause. Take your choice...

57-0915E - "Hebrews, Chapter Seven #1"

Why would he ask Abraham to pay tithes? You see what a strict thing it is to pay tithes? Tithing is right. Every Christian is duty bound to pay tithe. That's right. Never has been changed.

61-0723E - "God Being Misunderstood"

Brother Branham, don't you feel that everyone who claims to be a Christian should pay tithes, pay their tithes into the storehouse of the Lord? Please give Scripture to this question. Yes, MALACHI 3:8 ... That's a challenge to any individual! And if I only had the time, and would not get to this little Scripture that I wish to get to in about the next ten minutes, I would like to give you a personal testimony

of how that I was even hungry, and my mother and them hungry, and my daddy sick, but I took my tithes out first and give it to God, and you ought to see what happened. I have never seen in my life, that any man or a woman, that if you only make one dollar a week, will bring the ten cents of that money and put it into your storehouse, or a church where you come, if God don't bless that call me a hypocrite. Yes, sir. That's a challenge to anybody. Every Christian should pay tithes! That's right. It should be done.

LUKE 6:38

"<u>Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure,</u> pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again"

TWELVE REASONS FOR TITHING

 Tithing is scriptural — ordered and approved of God in the Old and New Testaments.

 Tithing teaches the true worshippers of the Lord Jesus Christ to put God and His work first.

 Tithing teaches us to recognize and acknowledge God's ownership of our lives. 4. Tithing is an act of worship.

5. Tithing gives us more confidence in our prayers to God.

6. Tithing invokes God's blessings upon the tithe-giver.

Tithing tends to increase the tithe-giver's ability to give more than just a tenth of his or her income.

8. Tithing gives the tithe-givers an opportunity to receive from God His blessings as they give Him their tithes.

 Tithing creates a commanding position of stewardship in the lives of Christians.

10. Tithing increases the tithe-giver's influence over others to follow his example to practice tithing.

 Tithing is giving in a systematic manner rather than an emotional or spasmodic giving.

12. Tithing causes the tithe-giver to give freely and spontaneously rather than waiting until an appeal is made.

II CORINTHIANS 9:7

"Every man according as <u>he purposeth in his heart, so let</u> him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." II CORINTHIANS 8:12

"For **if there be first a willing mind**, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not"

MATTHEW 6:3 "When <u>thou doest alms</u>, <u>let not thy left hand know what thy</u> right hand doeth"

II CORINTHIANS 16:1-2

Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye. Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come."

61-1224 SIRS.WE.WOULD.SEE.JESUS_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-23 SUNDAY_ Christmas is here to stay, and it isn't the birthday of our Lord, the time He was born.

61-1224 SIRS.WE.WOULD.SEE.JESUS_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-23 SUNDAY_ <u>Christmas is here to stay</u>, so we're... <u>We can't help it.</u>You hear people say, "We're going to celebrate <u>Christmas." That's wrong</u>. <u>We should never celebrate</u> <u>Christmas</u>. <u>Christmas is a day of worship, not a</u> <u>celebration</u>.

63-1115 THE.WORLD.IS.FALLING.APART_ NEW.YORK.NY V-18 N-10 FRIDAY_ "For we receive a Kingdom that cannot be moved." All these other things are falling apart. America is falling apart.

Europe is falling apart. Asia is falling apart. All the world is falling apart. "But we are in a Kingdom, an Eternal Kingdom, It cannot be moved," amen, where Christmas is every day, amen, living in the Presence of the King. Glory!

LUKE 1:28 And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, <u>thou that art</u> highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.

LUKE 1:29

And when she saw him, **she was troubled** at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.

LUKE 1:30 And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.

LUKE 1:34 Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?

LUKE 1:37 For with God nothing shall be impossible.

GENESIS 18:14 Is any thing too hard for the LORD? LUKE 1:38

And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord;

LUKE 1:39

And Mary arose in those days, and went into the hill country with haste, into a city of Juda;

LUKE 1:45

And blessed is she that believed: for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord.

LUKE 1:46

And Mary said, My soul doth magnify the Lord,

LUKE 1:47

And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

LUKE 2:19 But Mary **kept all these things**

LUKE 2:19

...and pondered them in her heart.

LUKE 2:34

And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this child is set **for the fall and rising again of many in Israel**; and for a sign which shall be spoken against; "A Merry Christmas in the Mist of Dilemmas"