

**16. “Born Again”**  
**“A Transformation to Newness of Life”**  
**(To be saved is to be *born again*.)**

*“having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever,”*  
 (1 Peter 1:23 NKJV)

To be born again (or “born from above”) means the transformation of a person so that he or she is able to enter another world and adapt to its conditions. **You become a newly created being** - someone different than the original creation. You have the life of Christ inside of you. You are assured of the opportunity for eternity with the Lord.

*“Jesus answered and said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is **born again**, he cannot see the kingdom of God.””*  
 (John 3:3 NKJV)

*“that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be **saved**.”* (Romans 10:9 NKJV)

**17. “Tithe” = “A Tenth or 10%”**

*“Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be food in My house, And try Me now in this,” Says the LORD of hosts, “If I will not open for you the windows of heaven And pour out for you such blessing That there will not be room enough to receive it.”* (Malachi 3:10 NKJV)

- Hebrew: ma’sar - a tenth, especially a tithe
- Greek: dek-at’ - a tenth, i.e. as a percentage or tithe

Merriam-Webster’s Dictionary - To pay a tenth part of especially for the support of a church. To give a tenth of one’s income as a tithe.

1. Tithing is not to be confined to the Old Testament Law. It existed long before the Law was given.

GENESIS 14:18-20 Abraham tithed to Melchizedek 500 years before the Law was established.

GENESIS 28:20-22 Jacob (Abraham’s grandson) tithed 240 years before the Law was established.

2. Jesus acknowledged the tithe as a New Covenant practice, not to be undone, or done away with.

MATTHEW 23:23 & LUKE 11:42 Jesus expected them to tithe.

*“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law: justice and mercy and faith. These **you ought to have done**, without leaving the others undone.”*

Nowhere do the Scriptures say the practice of tithing has ended.

**BUZZ WORDS**

1. Saved
2. Newly created being

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1. A Tenth
2. A Command
3. A Privilege