

CIRCUMCISION (a pre-Mosaic covenant)

The parallel argument for Tithing is Circumcision (except that circumcision actually was a pre-Mosaic principle).....a covenant set by God (Gen 17:9-14)

Note God described this as **an everlasting covenant**

Acts 15:5 ...the Pharisees stood up and said ‘The Gentiles must be **circumcised** and required to obey the **Law of Moses**’

Acts 15:28 But the apostles, elders and Holy Spirit said.....

‘It seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us not to burden you with anything beyond the following **requirements**: that you abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from meat strangled and from sexual immorality’

Note that in the same way as Circumcision came to an end so also Tithing would have come to an end had it been a Pre Mosaic principle

Gal 5:1-14 I believe there is good reason to see this text as applying equally to any Law be it of circumcision (or tithing)

Vs 1 ‘Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made you free’

Note I do not know anyone who would describe tithing as a liberty....it is almost always taught as a law and results in bondage

Vs 2 ‘if you let yourselves be circumcised, **Christ will be of no value at all**’

Vs 3 ‘again I declare to every man who lets himself be circumcised that **he is obligated to keep the whole of the Law**’

Note *Christians should seriously consider claiming to tithe (THEY SHOULD RATHER GIVE AS THEY ARE LED) as tithing was clearly as much part of the Law as circumcision and if, as argued by some, also a pre mosaic principle neither circumcision (or tithing) nor uncircumcision (or not tithing) mean anything (Gal 6:15)*

GOD WANTS US TO GIVE AS LED BY HIS SPIRIT.....(Gal 5:25)

MOTIVATED BY LOVE (Gal 5:14)