

Living the Good/God Life Week of November 21st

*The Principle of First Dr. Hays McKay*

(Exodus 13:1-2) The Lord said to Moses, 2 “Consecrate to me every firstborn male. The first offspring of every womb among the Israelites belongs to me, whether human or animal.”

(Exodus 13:12-13) you are to give over to the Lord the first offspring of every womb. All the firstborn males of your livestock belong to the Lord. 13 Redeem with a lamb every firstborn donkey, but if you
do not redeem it, break its neck. Redeem every firstborn among your sons.

* **The firstborn must be sacrificed or redeemed**
* **“Jesus is God’s tithe” – Robert Morris**
* **The firstfruits must be offered**

 (Proverbs 3:9-10) Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; **10**then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.

(Exodus 23:19) “Bring the best of the firstfruits of your soil to the house of the Lord your God. “Do not cook a young goat in its mother’s milk.

(Genesis 4:3-5) In the course of time Cain brought some of the fruits of the soil as an offering to the Lord. **4**And Abel also brought an offering—fat portions from some of the firstborn of his flock. The Lord looked with favor on Abel and his offering, **5**but on Cain and his offering he did not look with favor. So Cain was very angry, and his face was downcast.

* **God can’t think the way we think**
* **God can’t be second**
* **The tithe must be first**

(Leviticus 27:30) “‘A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the Lord; it is holy to the Lord.

(Exodus 13:14-15) “In days to come, when your son asks you, ‘What does this mean?’ say to him, ‘With a mighty hand the Lord brought us out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. **15**When Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, the Lord killed the firstborn of both people and animals in Egypt. This is why I sacrifice to the Lord the first male offspring of every womb and redeem each of my firstborn sons.’