



MALACHI // MAKING GREAT THE LORD'S NAME

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"For from the rising of the sun to its setting my name will be great among the nations, and in every place incense will be offered to my name, and a pure offering." MALACHI 1:11 ESV

Malachi was the last prophetic voice the people of God heard in the Old Testament as a prelude to four hundred years of silence. Later, John the Baptist arrived as the messenger of Jesus Christ. Malachi, which means "My Messenger," delivers blistering messages about the "sins of the saints" and calls them to return to God in a way that makes the Lord's name great among the nations.

Big Idea	God's Love	God's Name	God's Covenant	God's Justice	God's Money	God's Plan
Passage	1:1-5	1:6-2:9	2:10-16	2:17-3:5	3:6-12	3:13-4:6
Themes	Loved Chosen Blessed	Priests Honor Fear	Faithless Foreigners Divorce	Refined Judged Fear	Return Give Blessing	Book Messiah Messenger

1. _____ God's _____ MALACHI 1:1-5

"I have loved you," says the Lord. But you say, "How have you loved us?"

• God _____ them.

• God _____ them. JACOB AND ESAU

2. _____ God's _____ MALACHI 1:6-2:9

"A son honors his father, and a servant his master. If then I am a father, where is my honor? And if I am a master, where is my fear? says the Lord of hosts to you, O priests, who despise my name. But you say, 'How have we despised your name?'"

3. _____ God's _____ MALACHI 3:6-12

Return to me, and I will return to you, says the Lord of hosts. But you say, 'How shall we return?' 8 Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me. But you say, 'How have we robbed you?' In your tithes and contributions. 9 You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me, the whole nation of you. 10 Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.

"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. 6 And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction." MALACHI 4:5-6 ESV