

Malachi 1

- ¹ The burden of the word of the **LORD** to **Israel** by **Malachi**.
- ² I have loved you, saith the **LORD**. Yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loved us? Was not Esau Jacob's brother? saith the **LORD**: yet I loved Jacob,
- ³ And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness.
- ⁴ Whereas **Edom** saith, We are impoverished, but we will return and build the desolate places; thus saith the **LORD** of hosts, They shall build, but I will throw down; and they shall call them, The border of wickedness, and, The people against whom the **LORD** hath indignation *for ever*.
- ⁵ And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say, The **LORD** will be magnified from the border of **Israel**.
- ⁶ A son honoureth his father, and a servant his master: if then I be a father, where is mine honour? and if I be a master, where is my fear? saith the **LORD** of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise my name. And ye say, Wherein have we despised thy name?
- ⁷ Ye offer polluted bread upon mine altar; and ye say, Wherein have we polluted thee? In that ye say, The table of the **LORD** is contemptible.
- ⁸ And if ye offer the blind for sacrifice, is it not evil? and if ye offer the lame and sick, is it not evil? offer it now unto thy governor; will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person? saith the **LORD** of hosts.
- ⁹ And now, I pray you, beseech **God** that he will be gracious unto us: this hath been by your means: will he regard your persons? saith the **LORD** of hosts.
- ¹⁰ Who is there even among you that would shut the doors for nought? neither do ye kindle fire on mine altar for nought. I have no pleasure in you, saith the **LORD** of hosts, neither will I accept an offering at your hand.
- ¹¹ For from the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same my name shall be great among the **Gentiles**; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my name, and a pure offering: for my name shall be great among the heathen, saith the **LORD** of hosts.
- ¹² But ye have profaned it, in that ye say, The table of the **LORD** is polluted; and the fruit thereof, even his meat, is contemptible.
- ¹³ Ye said also, Behold, what a weariness is it! and ye have snuffed at it, saith the **LORD** of hosts; and ye brought that which was torn, and the lame, and the sick; thus ye brought an offering: should I accept this of your hand? saith the **LORD**.
- ¹⁴ But cursed be the deceiver, which hath in his flock a male, and voweth, and sacrificeth unto the **LORD** a corrupt thing: for I am a great King, saith the **LORD** of hosts, and my name is dreadful among the heathen.

Malachi 2

- ¹ And now, O ye priests, this commandment is for you.
- ² If ye will not hear, and if ye will not lay it to heart, to give glory unto my name, saith the **LORD** of hosts, I will even send a curse upon you, and I will curse your blessings: yea, I have cursed them *already*, because ye do not lay it to heart.
- ³ Behold, I will corrupt your seed, and spread dung upon your faces, even the dung of your *solemn feasts*; and one shall take you away with it.
- ⁴ And ye shall know that I have sent this commandment unto you, that my covenant might be with Levi, saith the **LORD** of hosts.
- ⁵ My covenant was with him of life and peace; and I gave them to him for the fear wherewith he feared me, and was afraid *before my name*.
- ⁶ The law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked with me in peace and equity, and did turn *many away* from iniquity.
- ⁷ For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of the **LORD** of hosts.
- ⁸ But ye are departed *out* of the way; ye have caused *many* to stumble at the law; ye have corrupted the covenant of Levi, saith the **LORD** of hosts.
- ⁹ Therefore have I also made you contemptible and base *before all* the people, according as ye have not kept my ways, but have been partial in the law.
- ¹⁰ Have we not *all one* father? hath not one **God** created us? why do we deal *treacherously* every man against his brother, by profaning the covenant of our fathers?
- ¹¹ Judah hath dealt *treacherously*, and an abomination is committed in Israel and in Jerusalem; for Judah hath profaned the holiness of the **LORD** which he loved, and hath married the daughter of a *strange* god.
- ¹² The **LORD** will cut off the man that doeth this, the master and the scholar, *out* of the tabernacles of Jacob, and him that offereth an offering unto the **LORD** of hosts.
- ¹³ And this have ye done again, covering the altar of the **LORD** with tears, with weeping, and with crying *out*, insomuch that he regardeth not the offering *any more*, or receiveth it with good will at your hand.

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- ¹⁴ Yet ye say, Wherefore? Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt *treacherously*. yet is she thy companion, and the wife of thy covenant.
- ¹⁵ And did not he make one? Yet had he the residue of the spirit. And wherefore one? That he might seek a godly seed. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal *treacherously* against the wife of his youth.
- ¹⁶ For the LORD, the God of Israel, saith that he hateth putting away: for one covereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts: therefore take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not *treacherously*.
- ¹⁷ Ye have wearied the LORD with your words. Yet ye say, Wherein have we wearied him? When ye say, Every one that doeth evil is good in the sight of the LORD, and he delighteth in them; or, Where is the God of judgment?

Malachi 3

- ¹ Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way *before* me: and the **LORD**, whom ye seek, shall *suddenly* come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the **LORD** of hosts.
- ² But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a *refiner's fire*, and like *fullers' soap*:
- ³ And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of **Levi**, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the **LORD** an offering in righteousness.
- ⁴ Then shall the offering of **Judah** and **Jerusalem** be pleasant unto the **LORD**, as in the days of old, and as in *former years*.
- ⁵ And I will come *near* to you to judgment; and I will be a *swift witness* against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against *false swearers*, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn *aside* the stranger from his right, and fear not me, saith the **LORD** of hosts.
- ⁶ For I am the **LORD**, I change not; therefore ye sons of **Jacob** are not consumed.
- ⁷ Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them. Return unto me, and I will *return* unto you, saith the **LORD** of hosts. But ye said, *Wherein shall we return?*
- ⁸ *Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.*
- ⁹ Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this *whole nation*.
- ¹⁰ Bring ye *all* the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the **LORD** of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you *out* a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.
- ¹¹ And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit *before* the time in the field, saith the **LORD** of hosts.
- ¹² And *all nations* shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a *delightful* land, saith the **LORD** of hosts.
- ¹³ Your words have been stout against me, saith the **LORD**. Yet ye say, What have we spoken so *much* against thee?

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- ¹⁴ Ye have said, It is vain to serve God: and what profit is it that we have kept his ordinance, and that we have walked mournfully before the **LORD** of hosts?
- ¹⁵ And now we call the proud happy; yea, they that work wickedness are set up; yea, they that tempt God are even delivered.
- ¹⁶ Then they that feared the **LORD** spake often one to another: and the **LORD** hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the **LORD**, and that thought upon his name.
- ¹⁷ And they shall be mine, saith the **LORD** of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his *own* son that serveth him.
- ¹⁸ Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.

Malachi 4

- ¹ For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and *all* the proud, yea, and *all* that *do wickedly*, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them *up*, saith the **LORD** of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.
- ² But unto you that fear my name shall the **Sun** of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall *go forth*, and grow up as calves of the stall.
- ³ And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes *under* the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the **LORD** of hosts.
- ⁴ Remember ye the law of **Moses** my servant, which I commanded unto him in **Horeb** for *all Israel*, with the statutes and judgments.
- ⁵ Behold, I will send you **Elijah** the prophet *before* the coming of the *great and dreadful day* of the **LORD**:
- ⁶ And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.