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## Malachi 1

- Malachi is considered a minor prophet.

### Verses 1-5

- What was Israel questioning in this passage?
- The word “hate” here is a lesser degree of love. It’s not what we would consider hate. God loves everyone. He expresses His love for Esau a lesser degree because Esau had become a foe.

### Verses 6-14

- What was God’s question about honor and respect?
- What were the people doing to the altar?
- Why wouldn’t God accept their offering?

## Malachi 2

### Verses 1-9

- What did God say would happen if the people did not honor His name?
- Who stood in awe of God’s name?
- What had they caused many to do according to verse 8?
- What were they doing in the instruction?
- What is our application?

### Verses 10-12

- What were they doing with each other whilst profaning the covenant?
- What had they done to the sanctuary?

### Verses 13-16

- Why did the people weep?
- The men were acting treacherously with the wife of their youth by accusing her of adultery so they cut put her away and receive another. The treachery was that a woman could be stoned for adultery.
- So, what is the context of God saying, “ I hate divorce”?

### Verse 17

- What had they done with their words?

## Malachi 3

### Verses 1-4

- Malachi is the last book in the Old Testament and it was 400 years until a new word came from the LORD.
- Think about how the New Testament begins, who would be the person who would make way for the Lord to come to His temple?
- What would happen to the sons of Levi when the Lord appeared?

### Verses 5-6

- Why would he draw near?
- Whom would He judge?

### Verse 7

- What will the LORD do if the people will return to Him?
- Repentance is a change of mind resulting in a change of direction. It's coming back to the Lord?

### Verses 8-12

- How had the people ribbed God?
- What were they to bring into the storehouse and what was the purpose?
- So, what was the tithe, money?
- Whom would the LORD rebuke?
- What would all the nations call them if they obeyed?

### Verses 13-15

- What had their words been against the LORD?

### Verses 16-18

- What did the people who feared the LORD do?
- What would they distinguish?

## Malachi 4

Verses 1-3

- What is the time reference here?
- How would the people who fear His name live?

Verse 4

- What should be remembered?
- Does this apply to Christians as well?

Verses 5-6

- When would the LORD send Elijah?
- The New Testament will show us this new Elijah in the person of John the Baptist.

See you tomorrow.