

## THE BOOK OF MALACHI..OUTLINE.

### 1. INTRODUCING THE WRITER. 1:1.

- a. He had a definite message. "Burden" 1:1.
- b. It was to Israel.
- c. It was thru. Malachi.--"My Messenger", of whom nothing is known.

### 2. ISRAEL REPROVED FOR INSENSIBILITY TO GOD'S LOVE. 1:2-5.

- a. God's statement. "I have loved you". vs2.
- b. Israel's impertinent question. Wherein hast Thou loved us? 1:2.
- c. Jacob vs Esau, an illus. of God's love. 1:3-5.

### 3. PRIESTS REPROVED FOR NEGLECT AND PROFANATION 1:6; 2:10.

- a. Sacrilege and contempt for worship. 1:6-9.
- b. Professionalism in priests and worship. 1:10-14.  
They would be rejected. Vs.10  
Gentiles would be called. 11.  
Priests profaned the sacrifice. 12-13.  
A curse would be pronounced. 14.
- c. Commandment & curse for priest. 2:1-4.
- d. Retrospective view of what the priesthood was. 2:5,6,7.
- e. Degrading power of their sin. 2:8-10.

### 4. THE PEOPLE REPROVED FOR THEIR SIN. 2:11-17.

- a. Strange marriages and spiritual declension. 2:11-13.
- b. Unfaithfulness to marriage vows. 2:14-17.

### 5. COMING OF THE "MESSENGER OF THE COVENANT" (Messiah). Shall not reprove but judge 3:1-6. Ch. 3:1-6.

- a. The Coming of Messiah stated. Vs.1
- b. His work will be that of a refiner. 2-4.
- c. Blessings will be poured out. 5-6.

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6. NATION REPROVED FOR WITHOLDING. 3:7-18

- a. They are told to return to the good old ways. 7-9
- b. The tithe would become a means of blessing 10-18.

7. THE COMING DAY OF THE LORD. 4:1-6.

- a. A day of fear for theungodly. Vs 1.
- b. A day of joy for believers. 2-4.
- c. The day of the Lord will have Elijah as the forerunner. 5-6.

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