

# Session 30: Malachi

## **Videos:**

- Overview: Malachi

## **Recommended Readings from the ESV Study Bible:**

- Introduction to Malachi (pp. 1771-1773)
- The Time Between the Testaments (pp. 1783–1792)

## **Handouts from The Bible Project:**

- Malachi Overview Poster

## **Handouts from Dr. Parke:**

- Book of Malachi - Slides from Dr. Parke's Teaching

## **Handouts from ESV Study Bible:**

- Chart: Key Themes: Malachi's Sixfold Wake-up Call to Renewed Covenant Fidelity



**1-2 EXPOSING ISRAEL'S CORRUPTION**

**DISPUTE #1** (1-2-5)

I STILL LOVE YOU. (1-3)

HOW HAVE YOU SHOWN US LOVE?

I CHOSE JACOB'S FAMILY TO CARRY MY COVENANT PROMISES...

...BUT NOT ESAU'S FAMILY.

JACOB & ISRAEL

ESAU & EDM.

SEE GENESIS 25-27 & GENESIS 33

**3 CONFRONT**

**DISPUTE #4** (2:17-3:5)

YOU'VE NEGLECTED US! WHERE IS YOUR GOD OF JUSTICE? (2:17-19)

**DISPUTE #2** (1:6-2:7)

YOU DESPISE ME & DEFILE MY TEMPLE. (1:6-7)

HOW ARE WE DESPISING YOU?

IT'S... GOOD ENOUGH

NO PROBLEM!

IT'S FINE.

IT'S POINTLESS TO SERVE GOD! WICKED PEOPLE SUCCEED & GOD DOES NOTHING! (2:17)

**DISPUTE #5** (3:6-12)

(SEE NEHEMIAH 13:10-11)

**DISPUTE #3** (2:10-16)

YOU'VE TURNED AGAINST ME & YOUR WIVES.

WHAT?! HOW?!!

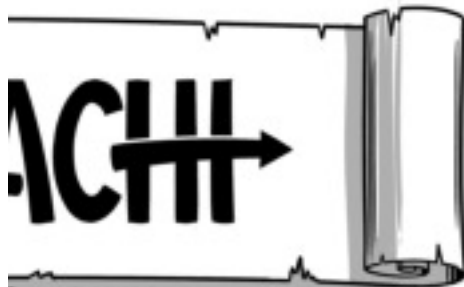
PHARRY ME & WORSHIP MY GODS!

YES MUM!

IDOLATRY & DIVORCE (SEE NEHEMIAH 13)

**DISPUTE #6** (3:13-18)

IT'S POINTLESS TO SERVE GOD! WICKED PEOPLE SUCCEED & GOD DOES NOTHING! (2:17)



# 4:4-6 CONCLUDING APPENDIX TO THE TORAH & PROPHETS



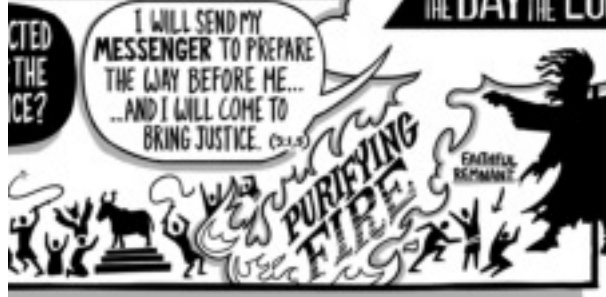
DISPUTES  
DISAGREEMENT  
RESPONSE



- SUMMARIZES THE TORAH & PROPHETS AS A LINEAR STORY THAT POINTS TO THE FUTURE...
- ...WHEN GOD WILL SEND A NEW MOSES & ELIJAH TO RESTORE GOD'S PEOPLE & HEAL THEIR HEARTS. (REMEMBER DEUTERONOMY 30, JEREMIAH 31, EZEKIEL 36) ♥♥♥

## ING ISRAEL'S CORRUPTION & THE DAY OF THE LORD

## 4:1-3 CONCLUSION



"FOR THOSE WHO REVERE MY NAME, THE SUN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS WILL RISE, WITH HEALING IN ITS WINGS." (4:2)




- THE FAITHFUL READ THE SCROLL TO REMEMBER GOD'S CHARACTER & PROMISES
- THE DIVINE GIFT OF SCRIPTURES: THEY POINT US TO THE PAST TO INSPIRE HOPE FOR THE FUTURE

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# Book of Malachi

## Slides from Dr. Parke's Teachings

SLIDE 1



**Book of Malachi**

Old Testament Workshop  
Morrison Heights Baptist Church  
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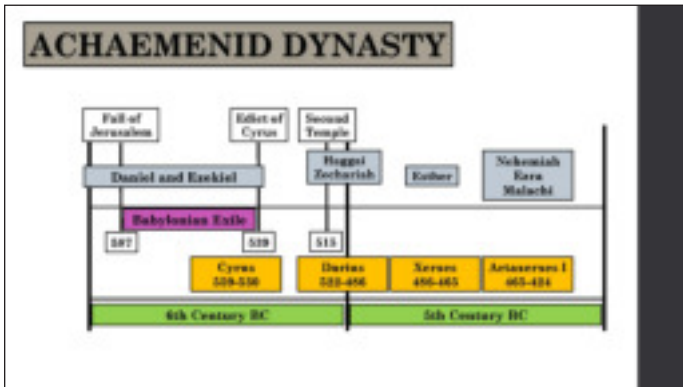
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SLIDE 2



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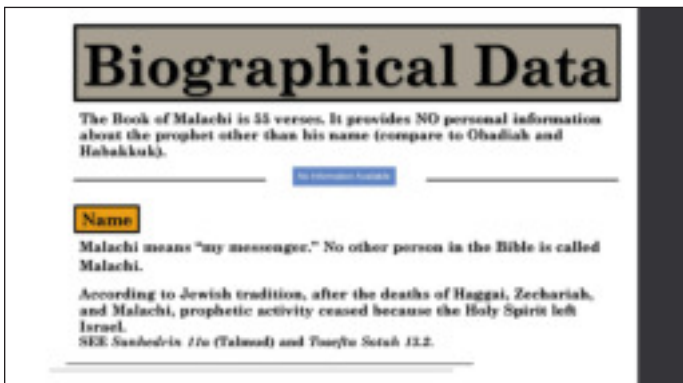
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SLIDE 3



**Biographical Data**

The Book of Malachi is 55 verses. It provides NO personal information about the prophet other than his name (compare to Obadiah and Habakkuk).

**Name**

Malachi means "my messenger." No other person in the Bible is called Malachi.

According to Jewish tradition, after the deaths of Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi, prophetic activity ceased because the Holy Spirit left Israel.

SEE *Seder-ha Ihu (Talmud)* and *Tosefta Sotah 13.2*.

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# Key Themes: Malachi's Sixfold Wake-up Call to Renewed Covenant Fidelity

From the ESV Study Bible

Disputation	Reference	Summary	Focus
Disputation 1	1:2–5	Malachi begins by defending the reality of God's elective love for Israel, a love which calls for robust covenantal obedience and sincere worship as its proper response. Instead, the people were dishonoring God by their worthless offerings and the hypocritical formalism of their worship.	Israel is to remember the Law of Moses.
Disputation 2	1:6–2:9	Malachi exposes these offenses and rebukes the priests for condoning them and thereby violating the Lord's covenant with Levi.	
Disputation 3	2:10–16	Malachi condemns marriage to an idolater as infidelity against Israel's covenant with the Lord, and he condemns unauthorized divorce as infidelity against the marriage covenant between a husband and his wife, to which the Lord is witness.	
Disputation 4	2:17–3:5	Malachi broadens his indictment as he promises that the Lord will vindicate his justice. This will take place when "the messenger of the covenant" comes to judge the wicked (when the Lord will function as a witness not only against adulterers, as in 2:10–16, but also against other offenders) and to purify his people so that their offerings will be acceptable at last.	Israel is to remember the promise of Elijah and the coming day of the Lord.
Disputation 5	3:6–12	Malachi returns to the subject of Israel's begrudging offerings. The people experienced material adversity and were under a curse—not in spite of their behavior, but because of it. Accordingly, Malachi challenges them to conscientious tithing, which will be rewarded with divine blessing.	
Disputation 6	3:13–4:3	Malachi assures his grumbling contemporaries that evildoers, who seem to escape divine justice because of their prosperity, will yet be judged, while the Lord will deliver those who fear him.	