

# The prophecy of Malachi



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## Subjects covered in last class

- How God's judgment will be consistent with His character.
- How can we be ready for Christ's return
- How can we ensure that we don't drift from the Truth.
- The principle of tithing as it applies to us today?

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## Subjects covered in this class

- Why the prophecy of Malachi typifies the judgment seat.
- The danger of envying the wicked and how to guard against it.
- What it means to think upon the name of God.
- The blessings and coming joys of the righteous.

# Structure of Malachi

- 1:1-1:5 God's love to Israel
- 1:6-2:9 The priests rebuked
  - 1:6-14 for allowing corrupt offerings
  - 2:1-9 for corrupting their covenant
- 2:10-16 The people rebuked for divorce and intermarriage
- 2:17-3:6 The coming judgments of the Messenger of the Covenant
- 3:7-15 The people rebuked
  - 3:7-12 for robbing God
  - 3:13-15 for accusing God of not rewarding righteousness
- 3:16-4:3 The coming blessings of the Sun of Righteousness
- 4:4-4:6 Final appeal

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# The book of remembrance

- The following passages refer to **THE** book of life which contains only the names of the faithful:
  - Ex 32:32
  - Psa. 69:28
  - Dan 12:1
  - Mal 3:16
  - Phil 4:3
  - Rev. 3:5; 13:8; 17:8; 20:12,15; 21:27; 22:19.
- Refer Eureka Vol 1. p360.

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*Ezra*

*Nehemiah*



# The “sun of righteousness”

- Psalm 19:1-5 “the sun which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race”
- 2 Samuel 23:2-4 “He that ruleth over men must be just , ruling in the fear of God. And he shall be as the light of the morning, when the sun riseth, even a morning without clouds”
- Revelation 1:16 “sun shining in his strength”
- Revelation 10:1 ”face being as it were the sun
- Revelation 16:12 “king’s of a sun’s rising“



A vertical image on the left side of the slide shows the silhouette of a person standing on a dark, grassy hill, looking out towards a bright sun on the horizon. The sun is low in the sky, creating a strong lens flare and illuminating the person's silhouette. The sky is a clear, pale blue.

## The blessings of the sun of righteousness

- He will spare from death those who are God's sons (3:17)
- As the effulgent source of righteousness, he will heal by extending that righteousness to others who are within the shadow of his wings (4:2)
- He will provide release from the bondage of sin, creating exuberant life and joy (4:2)
- He will give the power and honour to execute God's righteous judgments upon the wicked (4:3)





## Remember my servant Moses

### ■ Why mention Moses?

- The mission of the prophets was to keep Israel faithful to the law delivered by Moses. Their primary work was not to write books, but to deliver oral expostulations from God to Israel, to bring the nation back to harmony with itself. (The Ministry of the Prophets p4)
- It was an offer of hope – Nehemiah 1:8-9.
- It was at Horeb that there was a departure from God's laws. The nation is being warned not to follow the ways of their fathers.

# Elijah - The messenger at Christ's second coming

“For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. And if ye will receive it, this is Elias, which was for to come” **Matt 11:13-14**

“And his disciples asked him, saying, Why then say the scribes that Elias must first come? And Jesus answered and said unto them, Elias truly shall first come, and restore all things” **Matt 17:10-11**

“And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord”  
**Luke 1:17**

## To whom will Elijah be sent?

- Elijah shall “first come and restore all things” What things? - the spiritual and political restoration of all Israel, that is the 12 tribes. John the Baptist did not achieve this. Whereas John’s mission was personally enlightening and converting; Elijah’s will be nationally enlightening, converting and political.
- Like Moses, Elijah will be sent to gather his people from spiritual Egypt and in the process of time to present them before their King in his glory.

The Mystery of the Covenant of  
the Holy Land Explained p 178



Will you abide the day of his coming?