

MALACHI - 1:6-14

God's Burden to Israel

1. Malachi 1:6

- a. The love of God demands holiness – Prov 3:11, 13:24; Rev 3:19, Amos 3:2
- b. Why shouldn't the LORD of hosts be feared? - Amos 3:8, 10
- c. He is the Father and Master of Israel? - Exo 4:22, Mat 6:9 / Isa 41:8, Mat 23:10
- d. This burden against priests is repeated in Israel's history - Jer 23:1-11, Mat 23:23
- e. *"despise my name"* - Breaking the 3rd commandment - Exo 20:7, Lev 19:12
- f. The one who comes will glorify the Father's name - John 1:12, 12:28, 20:31

2. Malachi 1:7-9

- a. *"table of the LORD"* - is the altar of sacrifice - Lev 24:5-9
- b. Contemptible ~*def.* worthy of disdain, something worthless, dishonorable
- c. Your father or your boss comes to dinner, is it honorable to offer him the scraps?
- d. God does not desire sacrifice from the wicked - Prov 21:27, Micah 6:6-11
- e. Jesus sits by the treasuries to judge the offerings - Mark 12:41-44
- f. *"thy governor"* - which helps date the book after the captivity
- g. Accepting persons is the mindset of fallen humanity, not God - Deu 1:17, 16:19

3. Malachi 1:10-11

- a. *"for nought"* - Find definition in Job 1:9-11, Job 2:9 and Micah 3:11, Mal 3:14
- b. *"shut the doors"* - which is something David said he would rather do - Psa 84:10
- c. *"I have no pleasure in you"* - God loves them. Love is not pleasure - Pro 8:36
- d. God does not want their sacrifices, but their obedience - Isa 1:11-15, 1 Sam 15:22
- e. *"among the Gentiles"* - Not a prophecy of the church, like the Catholics think
- f. The Mass is not the pure sacrifice, which will be sacrifice to Israel in Jerusalem
- g. This is Israel's kingdom over Gentiles - Isa 60:5, Zech 8:22, 14:16, Rev 21:24
- h. Gentiles coming to Israel is Prophecy and not the mystery of Christ - Col 1:27

4. Malachi 1:12-14

- a. The profaned sacrifices offered for the same reasons under Eli - 1 Sam 2:12-17
- b. *"snuffed"* - which is to say they resent it, don't like it, nor desire to do it
- c. The law said they must love God with all their heart - Deu 10:12, 10:16, Mat 12:30
- d. *"cursed be..."* - God puts them under a curse under the law - Lev 26:15
- e. *"my name is dreadful"* - not today it isn't, but it was, and it will be - Rev 15:4-7