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Zechariah

Malachi

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A. Look For My Messengers (3:1-6)

1. John the Baptist (3:1a)

Matthew 11:9-10, Mark 1:2, Luke 7:27, John 1:23

2. Lord Jesus Christ (3:1b-6)

a. He comes to His temple (3:1b)

b. He comes to fulfill the covenant (3:1c)

c. He comes to judge (3:2-3a)

d. He comes to restore (3:3b-5)

1) Service

2) Holiness

e. The basis of His actions (3:6)

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B. You Are Ignorant Of Your Walk (3:7-12)

- 1. Don't even know they are walking the wrong way (3:7)**
- 2. Don't even know they are stealing from God (3:8)**
- 3. Don't even know that they are cursed (3:9)**
- 4. Don't even know what they are missing (3:10-12)**
 - a. God's blessing (v 10)**
 - b. God's protection (v 11)**
 - c. God's approval (v 12)**

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C. You Are Ignorant Of Your Words (3:13-15)

- 1. You don't even know what you are saying to Me
(v 13)**
- 2. You say that serving me is a waste of time (v 14)**
- 3. You say that those who reject you are better off
(v 15)**

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D. The Promise To The Faithful (3:16-18)

1. You will be heard by God (v 16)

2. You will be remembered by God (v 16)

Psalm 56:8, Revelation 20:12

3. You will be spared by God (v 17)

4. You will be gathered by God (v 18)

Last Words

Malachi 4

Matthew 24:35

Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

I. The Last Day (4:1-3)

A. For the wicked (4:1)

Malachi 4:1

For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

I. The Last Day (4:1-3)

B. For the righteous (4:2-3)

Malachi 4:2-3

2 But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

3 And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the Lord of hosts.

II. The Last Command (4:4)

Malachi 4:4

Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.

III. The Last Witness (4:5-6)

Malachi 4:5-6

5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord:

6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

John The Baptist or Elijah himself?

III. The Last Witness (4:5-6)

Matthew 17:10-13

10 And his disciples asked him, saying, Why then say the scribes that Elias must first come?

11 And Jesus answered and said unto them, Elias truly shall first come, and restore all things.

12 But I say unto you, That Elias is come already, and they knew him not, but have done unto him whatsoever they listed. Likewise shall also the Son of man suffer of them.

13 Then the disciples understood that he spake unto them of John the Baptist.

III. The Last Witness (4:5-6)

Matthew 10:34-37

34 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword.

35 For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

36 And a man's foes shall be they of his own household.

You have to choose

III. The Last Witness (4:5-6)

Revelation 11:3-6

3 And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.

4 These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.

5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.

6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.

