

*It's All  
About Love*

*Malachi 1:1-5*

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**1 The burden of the word of the LORD to Israel by Malachi.**

**2 I have loved you, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loved us? Was not Esau Jacob's brother? saith the LORD: yet I loved Jacob,**

**3 And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness.**

**4 Whereas Edom saith, We are impoverished, but we will return and build the desolate places; thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall build, but I will throw down; and they shall call them, The border of wickedness, and, The people against whom the LORD hath indignation for ever.**

**5 And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say, The LORD will be magnified from the border of Israel.**

# Introduction

**A. Malachi = My Messenger**

**B. God is all about love**

**1 John 4:8-10**

**8 He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.**

**9 In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.**

**10 Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.**

# Introduction

**C. We need to be all about love**

**Matthew 22:37-40**

**37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.**

**38 This is the first and great commandment.**

**39 And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.**

**40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.**

**1 John 2:5**

**But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.**

# **I. God Declares His Perfect Love to His People (vv 1-2)**

**A. God loves because it is His nature**

**1 Timothy 1:14**

**And the grace of our Lord was exceeding abundant with  
faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.**

**B. God's love is sovereign**

**Romans 5:8**

**But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while  
we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.**

# **I. God Declares His Perfect Love to His People (vv 1-2)**

**C. God's love is a covenant love**

**Jeremiah 31:3**

**The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.**

## **II. God Love Is Perfect in Judgment (vv 3-4)**

### **Hebrews 12:16-17**

**16 Lest there be any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright.**

**17 For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.**

## **II. God Love Is Perfect in Judgment (vv 3-4)**

### **A. Esau's judgment began with a bad decision**

**1. He despised his birthright**

**2. He despised the gift that would have been freely His**

### **B. Esau's judgment led to a futile life**

**1. A picture of an poverty rather than abundance**

**2. A picture dissatisfaction**

**3. A picture of a cursed people**

### **C. Esau's judgment was final**

**1. Due to spiritual blindness**

**2. Due to God's perfect justice**

**3. Due to God's total aversion to sin**



# **III. God's Love Can Be Declared Through You**

**(v 5)**

**A. When we experience God's saving love our eyes are opened to the things of God**

**B. When we experience God's saving love our mouth will declare His love**

**C. When we experience God's saving love our life will prove our love**

**John 13:35**

**By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.**

*Are We All  
About God's Love?*