

Sunday March 2nd 2014
Malachi – God’s Messenger
Part Fifteen
Study Questions

- 1). By way of review – What have we seen with regards to the spiritual condition of Israel in Malachi’s day?
 - a). Which verses did we look at from Chapter 1 that demonstrate this?
 - b). What did God do to them as a result of their actions which we saw in Chapters 2 and 3?
 - c). What had they chosen to overlook with regards to God’s treatment of them and which scripture did we look at in connection with this?
 - d). According to their perspective how was God treating them and what did they conclude because of this?
 - e). Which verses did we look at in connection with this?
 - f). Does that which we see in Malachi present the lowest point in Israel’s rebellious dealings with God, and if not where would we see this lowest point?
 - g). What would we say about the ‘church’ prior to the Lord’s second advent?

2). Read Matthew 13:23 – What do we see in this verse?

a). What did the Lord say to Elijah with respect to this same thing?

b). Who else might we think of within this same context?

c). Where do we find the faithful in Malachi and what are they doing?

d). Mal 3:16 *Then those who feared the LORD spoke to one another –*

within the context of being surrounded by the disobedient and unbelieving what can we know about what they said to each other by comparing scripture with scripture?

e). What was the Lord's response to them speaking to one another and which scripture did we look at to give us commentary on this?

f). Who would benefit from the book of remembrance?

g). What messengers are referenced in the Book of Malachi?

h). What imagery from the administration of an earthly kingdom is the Lord using in this and how does God describe Himself in Malachi 1:14b?

g). Where did we see an example of this in practice from the Book of Esther?

h). As well as sending messengers with the king's decree, what other record would be kept and what examples of this did we find in the Book of Ezra?

i). In addition to a record of the king's administration on a grand scale what other sorts of records were kept and what example for this, with scriptures, did we see from the Book of Esther?

3). Read Hebrews 6:13-20 – Did God need to swear an oath to Abraham concerning the promise He had given him?

a). So, why according to the scripture did He do it?

b). Is God's memory such that He needs a book of remembrance and if not then why does He keep it?

4). Read Daniel 7:10 – what is happening in this verse and what connection would you see with the book of remembrance found in Malachi?

a). Read Revelation 20:12-15 – What is taking place in these verses?

b). What do we see here that is identical to that found in Daniel 7:10?

c). Which Book is specifically named?

d). What is contained in these books upon which judgment is made?

e). How do we know that this is not a judgment with respect to eternal salvation and which scripture shows this to be so?

f). Where is the first place we found the Book of Life mentioned with respect to Christians and what is specifically taught in this verse?

g). How is the nature of the judgment here the same as that found in Revelation 20?

h). What happens to the Christian who is overcome with respect to the Book of Life?

i). How then are we to understand what the Book of Life is?

j). Which scripture did we look at in connection with this and what did we learn from it?

k). Read 1 Corinthians 3:12-15 – how would we connect that which we see in Revelation 3:5 with these verses?

l). How then do we understand a Christian's name being blotted out of the Book of Life?

m). How should we understand the eternally lost not finding their name written in the Book of Life?

n). Read Revelation 22:18 – what warning is given in this verse and what note should we take of it?

o). Any final thoughts?