

Presence Theater Church
Bible Survey
The Book of Malachi

Meaning of book: Hebrew: _____
Greek: _____

Who wrote it? _____ Malachi was a prophet during the days of _____, and is the last of the Old Testament prophets.

Date of writing: _____

Timing of events: _____: Malachi addresses the Israelites in _____ of the second or third generation after the return from Babylonian exile.

Key Term: _____: Malachi, God's messenger, noted that while true _____ of God served as His messengers (2:7), God would one day send "_____ messenger" (3:1, John the Baptist) to _____ the way for "the Messenger of the covenant" (3:1, Jesus).

Location of Events: _____

- Book Outline:**
- I. The _____ of the Nation (1:1-5)
 - II. The _____ of the Nation (1:6-3:15)
 - The Sin of the Priests of Israel
 - The Sin of the People of Israel
 - III. The _____ to the Nation (3:16-4:6)
 - The Rewards of the Book of Remembrance
 - The Rewards of the Coming of Christ
 - The Prophecy of the Coming of Elijah

Summary in one sentence: Malachi _____ God's people for specific violations of the covenant, such as laws concerning sacrifices, divorce, and _____, but he also prophesied the coming of the Messenger who will set all things right.

Summary in ten words or less: _____

Cast of Characters: *God* – not deceived by the excuses of the priests and people of Israel, He demands due _____; *Malachi* – bearing “the burden of the word of the Lord to Israel”; *The messenger of the Lord* – the One who is yet to come; _____; *Moses* – his _____ are to be remembered; *Elijah*– the famed prophet; God will send him again to prepare the people for the day of the Lord

Where is Christ? Malachi describes Christ as the _____ of righteousness who brings healing to His people. He also comes as a _____ fire to purify the sons of Levi so they can make an offering in righteousness. (Chapter 4)

Verse to Remember: “But for you who fear My name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its wings; and you will go forth and skip about like calves from the stall.” (Malachi 4:2)

Interesting Facts: 1. The Book of Malachi is a prelude to the 400 years of prophetic silence broken finally by the words of the next prophet, John the Baptist. (Malachi 3:1; Matt. 3:3; John 1:29)

2. Malachi ends on the bitter word “Curse” (3:14).

What is my take away? To much is given that much more is _____ (Luke 12:48). God expects His leaders to lead with integrity, humility, and honor.

Home Study

- Enjoy the Christmas Holiday!
- We will reconvene on January 4th.