

“Spiritual Attitude Check!” 3/11/18

Malachi 3:13-4:6

Sermon Series- “Malachi- Overcoming Spiritual Indifference and Complacency”

Big Idea- We must serve the Lord in an attitude of trust and hope knowing that serving Him is definitely worth it! Serving God is not worthless because of His character and our future.

Overview of Malachi

God’s Righteous Indictment	Man’s Sinful Retort
I have loved you! (1:2)	How have you loved us? (1:2)
You show contempt for my name (1:6)	How have we shown contempt? (1:6)
You have defiled my altar (1:7)	How have we defiled your altar? (1:7)
You have wearied me with your words (2:17)	How have we wearied you? (2:17)
You need to repent and return to me (3:7)	How should we repent? (3:7)
You have robbed me (3:8)	How have we robbed you? (3:8)
You have said harsh things against me (3:13)	How have we spoken against you? (3:13)

LESSON 1- Those who worship with a right attitude will be SPARED

- A. The attitudes of the faithless said serving God was USELESS
- B. Their attitudes maligned God’s CHARACTER
- C. Those with faith-full attitudes responded with fear of the LORD

“Do all things without complaining and disputing, that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world” Philippians 2:14-15

What choice will you make today in your attitude? Will you be that light?

Going God desires for us to move beyond our wrestling to trust!

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LESSON 2- Those who worship with a right attitude will be VINDICATED

- A. In that day God has promised to bring full JUSTICE
- B. In that day God has promised to honor those who fear His NAME
- C. A proper attitude will always be characterized by OBEDIENCE
- D. In preparation for His vindication, God is sending ELIJAH

Going God desires for us to trust Him in hope that all will be made right!

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