

Autumn Series

Malachi

Bible Characters

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Welcome to Church

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Malachi 3:1&2.

FACING A TASK UNFINISHED

Facing a task unfinished
That drives us to our knees
A need that, undiminished
Rebukes our slothful ease
We, who rejoice to know Thee
Renew before Thy throne
The solemn pledge we owe Thee
To go and make Thee known

Where other lords beside Thee
Hold their unhindered sway
Where forces that defied Thee
Defy Thee still today
With none to heed their crying
For life, and love, and light
Unnumbered souls are dying
And pass into the night

CHORUS

We go to all the world
With kingdom hope unfurled
No other name has power to save
But Jesus Christ The Lord

We bear the torch that flaming
Fell from the hands of those
Who gave their lives proclaiming
That Jesus died and rose
Ours is the same commission
The same glad message ours
Fired by the same ambition
To Thee we yield our powers

CHORUS

O Father who sustained them
O Spirit who inspired
Saviour, whose love constrained them
To toil with zeal untired
From cowardice defend us
From lethargy awake!
Forth on Thine errands send us
To labour for Thy sake

CHORUS x 2

SEE HIM COMING

Glory and power to the one who loves us,
Honour and praise him forever;
Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus.

Glory and power to the one who freed us
From all our sins by his blood;
Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus.

CHORUS

See him coming on the clouds of heaven,
Every eye behold him now.
He's the Living One, the first and last
Who once was dead,
But now he lives forever and ever.

Glory and power to the one who made us
A kingdom of priests for God's service;
Come Lord Jesus, come Lord Jesus.

CHORUS

BRIDGE

Jesus is the Living One,
Who died and came alive;
Jesus is Almighty Lord,
Who was and is to come!
(Repeat)

CHORUS

BY FAITH

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By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness
Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the power of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand
A place where peace and justice reign

CHORUS

We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the power to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go
In the power of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In every corner of the earth

CHORUS

We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the power of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name

CHORUS

We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

(Repeat)

We'll walk by faith and not by sight

Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

Give us day by day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

Luke 11: 2-4

Malachi

Question 261 - Who was Malachi?

Malachi was the last of the prophets in the Old Testament who foretold the end of the world - Malachi 1:1.

Prophets of Judah			
Nahum	660-630 BC	2 Kings 15-18	Manasseh, Amon, Josiah
Zephaniah	630-620 BC	Isaiah 10	Josiah
Habakkuk	620-610 BC	2 Kings 23	Josiah, Jehoahaz
Jeremiah	628-588 BC	2 Kings 22-25	Josiah to Zedekiah. The Captivity
Prophets of the Captivity			
Daniel	606-534 BC	2 Kings 23-25	The Captivity (Reign of Nebuchadnezzar to Cyrus)
Obadiah	587 BC	2 Kings 25	After Jerusalem's Destruction (Reign of Nebuchadnezzar)
Ezekiel	596-574 BC	2 Kings 24	to the Jews Before and During the Captivity (Reign of Nebuchadnezzar)
Prophets of the Return to Jerusalem			
Haggai	520-518 BC	Ezra 5-6	Rebuilding the Temple in Jerusalem (Reign of Darius I)
Zechariah	520-510 BC	Ezra 5-6	Rebuilding and Dedication of the Temple (Reign of Darius I)
Malachi	420-397 BC	Nehemiah 13	Second Reformation by Nehemiah (Reign of Artaxerxes I)

<https://www.bible-history.com/old-testament/prophets-chronology.html>

MALACHI

	Love	Rebuke		Hope
	<u>Unconditional</u> <u>Almighty</u> <u>Sovereign</u>	Against the Priests <u>Irreverence</u> <u>Disobedience</u> <u>Cynicism</u> <u>Hypocrisy</u> <u>Offense</u>	Against the People <u>Intermarriage with pagans</u> <u>Indifference</u> <u>Robbing God / no tithes</u> <u>Blasphemy</u>	<u>Fire</u> <u>Healing</u> <u>“Elijah”</u> <u>Family</u>
	CHAPTER 1:1–5	CHAPTERS 1:6–2:9	CHAPTERS 2:10–3:15	CHAPTERS 3:16–4:6
Content	Theological	Historical		Prophetical
Direction	Looking up	Looking in		Looking ahead
Theme	God cites the priest and the people with failure to keep His covenant but offers the hope of the Messiah, the messenger of the covenant who will bring justice and salvation.			
Key Verse	3:1			
Christ in Malachi	Malachi anticipates the first and second advents of Christ, who will fulfill God’s covenant with the Jews (3:1), judge sinners (3:2–5), and bring healing to those who fear the Lord (4:2).			

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Refining Silver and Gold

The process of extraction was fairly simple. First, the lead ores were, in their simplest form, heated in a fire and the lead then sifted out from the ashes. Lead itself is of little value but almost always contains a small percentage of silver. This was freed from the lead by heating in a furnace with a bed of bone ash, which absorbs some of the lead.



Small Blast Furnace – pretend this is old

A blast of air was used, and this causes the rest of the lead to oxidise, forming a cake known technically as litharge. The silver rises to the surface of the semi-liquid slag, or 'dross' as it is referred to in the Bible. This was removed, either with a blast of air or a scraper. After all impurities are removed silver will radiate a pure, brilliant light.

Twice refined

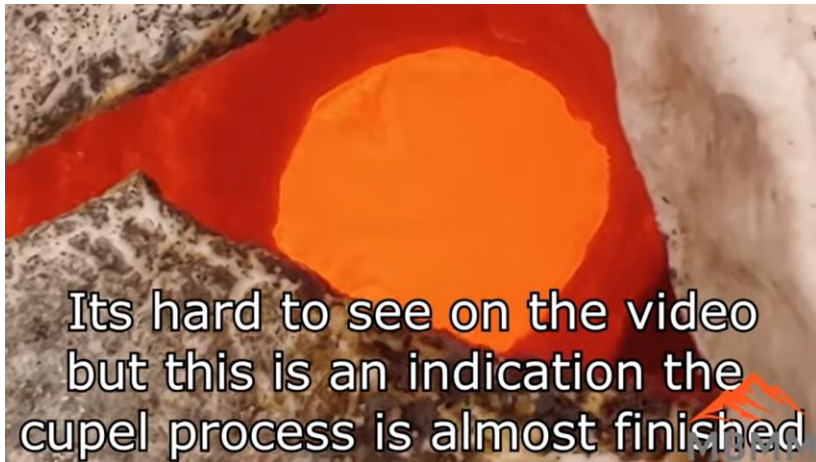
The silver was then usually refined twice to remove the remaining impurities in a process called 'cupellation', from the French cupelle, a small cup. A cupel is a shallow vessel, often made of bone-ash but sometimes of clay. Lead was usually added to the silver, if relatively pure silver was the starting point. The furnace was heated until the metal became bright red (950° C, 1750° F). Then an air blast was blown across the molten metal, and the resultant lead oxide, or 'litharge', would be either burned up or absorbed into the porous cupel, leaving the silver intact. If the process was a simple assay, or refinement, the bone-ash of the cupel would absorb the litharge. This litharge has the further property of dissolving the oxides of some of the other base metals that might be present, such as



Cupelle

antimony, copper, or arsenic. Iron oxide was usually added to the mixture as a flux in the primary smelting operations. But if that smelting operation was done under incorrect conditions (too

reducing or too hot), then there would form a spongy metallic iron ore mixed with the lead, which would render subsequent cupellation almost impossible. In addition, it would not succeed if there was too much tin present in the lead, or the furnace was considerably overheated. Further, in refining pure silver there was always an uncertainty as to how much lead to introduce, since the quantity required depended on the quantity of impurities in the silver. If not enough lead was added to the impure silver, the copper oxide or tin would form on top of the silver, leaving a scummy mess. So, seeing the silver radiate its pure light was always a great relief to the ancient metallurgist; the process was only partially under his control. It is interesting that this process, and the vessels used, are referred to several times in the Bible



Refined Silver



Waste Silver and Iron Mixed

James

3 My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation. **2** For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body.

5 ... so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth!

6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.

8 But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. **9** Therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we men, which are made after the similitude of God. **10** Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be.

11 Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter? **12** Can the fig tree, my brethren, bear olive berries? either a vine, figs? so can no fountain both yield salt water and fresh.

13 Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom.

14 But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. **15** This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. **16** For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.

17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

18 And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

Acts

2 And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. **2** And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. **4** And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Glowing. VERMONT—L. M. *E. Dutcher.*

When Jacob's seed had gone astray,
 Elijah, by God's Spirit clad,
 Turn'd back their hearts to keep the law,
 And serve again their fathers' God.

And God by Malachi declares,
 Before His day of vengeful doom,
 (Which is within th' six thousand years,)
 Elijah here again shall come.

He will the fathers' heart return,
 And to their children reconcile;
 The children's hearts with love will burn,
 And will their fathers' law fulfill.

The Spirit which will on them rest
 Will execute His holy law;
 It then will dwell within their breast,
 And make them all His glory know.

Malachi

3 Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the LORD, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.

2 But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? **for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap:**

3 And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.

4 Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the LORD, as in the days of old, and as in former years.

5 And I will come near to you to judgment; and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right, and fear not me, saith the LORD of hosts.

6 For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

4 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.

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.

Jeremiah (of the wicked)

28 They are all grievous revolters, walking with slanders: they are brass and iron; they are all corrupters.

29 **The bellows are burned, the lead is consumed of the fire; the founder melteth in vain: for the wicked are not plucked away.**

30 Reprobate silver shall men call them, because the LORD hath rejected them.

Message

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(Isa. 49/13–17; Matt. 19/28; Mal. 3/17; Eph. 5/30)

Most glorious things the Lord hath spoke
 Of Isr'el, His beloved seed;
 Nor will His Word be ever broke,
 But with them ever firm abide.

Upon their hearts His name is wrote,
 Their walls are always in His sight;
 By Him they never are forgot,
 For they're His portion and delight.

They are as those most precious stones,
 Which shine so brightly on His crown;
 As pearls upon His robe, their bones,
 And as the diadem of His throne.

He as Himself His people makes,
 In body, spirit, with Him one;
 His Isr'el of His glory takes,
 And with Him sit upon His throne.
