

## Malachi 2 - Judah's Mistake

### Outline

- I. The Love of God for Israel (Malachi 1:1–6)
- II. The Priests Reproved for (Malachi 1:6–2:9)
- III. The People Rebuked for (Malachi 2:10–17)

### Malachi 2:10-17

#### A. Judah's **Infraction**

##### 1. God's **Argument**

###### a. One Father - Abraham

10 Have we not all **one father**?

###### b. One God The **Creator**

hath not **one God** created us?

##### 2. God's **Admonishment** - Quit Treating each other **poorly**

why do we **deal treacherously**(**deceitfully, unfaithful**) every man against his brother, by **profaning**(**prostitute or pollute**) the **covenant**(**compact**) of our fathers?

##### 3. God's **Analysis** - The Cause - **Idolatry**

11 Judah hath dealt treacherously, and **an abomination**(**something disgusting, idolatry**) is committed in Israel and in Jerusalem; for Judah hath **profaned the holiness**(**sacred place**) of the **LORD** which he loved, and hath **married** the daughter of a **strange god**.

#### B. Judah's **Infliction** - Punishment

##### 1. Cut Off

12 The **LORD** will cut off the man that doeth this,

##### 2. No Matter **position**

###### a. **Government** Leaders

the **master**

###### b. **Educators**

and the **scholar**, out of the tabernacles of Jacob,

### c. Religious Leaders

and him that offereth an offering unto the LORD of hosts.

#### 3. Your Offerings won't count

13 And this have ye done again, covering the altar of the LORD with tears, with weeping, and with crying out, insomuch that **he regardeth not the offering any more**, or receiveth it with good will at your hand.

### C. Judah's Imminent Demise (God's illustration - a Bad Marriage)

#### 1. You Promised

14 Yet ye say, **Wherefore?** Because the LORD hath been **witness between thee and the wife of thy youth**, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously: yet is she thy companion, and **the wife of thy covenant**.

15 And did not he make one? Yet had he the **residue(remnant)** of the spirit. And wherefore one? That he might **seek a godly seed**. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and **let none deal treacherously against the wife** of his youth.

#### 2. You put her away because you spoke evil

16 For the LORD, the God of Israel, saith that **he hateth putting away**: for one covereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts: therefore take heed to your spirit, **that ye deal not treacherously**.

#### 3. You persistently justified bad behavior

17 Ye have **wearied(exhausted)** the LORD with your words. Yet ye say, Wherein have we wearied him? **When ye say, Every one that doeth evil is good** in the sight of the LORD, and he delighteth in them; or, **Where is the God of judgment?**