

**God's Last Words Before Messiah Comes
Malachi 3-4**

IV. The Prediction of the _____ Messengers (Malachi 3:1-6)

A. The _____ Forerunner (Malachi 3:1)

1 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.

Matthew 3:3 For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

Mark 1:3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

Luke 3:4 As it is written in the book of the words of Esaias the prophet, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

John 1:23 He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias.

B. The _____ Messiah - A Valuable Offering – Finally (Malachi 3:2-4)

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.

***Those Sins to be _____ (Malachi 3:5)**

5 And I will come near to you to judgment;

1. _____ Sins - Witchcrafts (Malachi 3:5a)

and I will be a swift witness **against the sorcerers** (to whisper a _____),

2. _____ Sins - Adultery (Malachi 3:5b)

and against the **adulterers,**

3. _____ Sins (Malachi 3:5c)

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.

C. Eternal _____ – God Never Changes (Malachi 3:6)

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

V. The People Rebuked for _____ Sins (Malachi 3:7-18)

A. Opportunity to _____ (Malachi 3:7)

7 Even from the days of your fathers **ye are gone away from mine ordinances**, and **have not kept them**. **Return unto me, and I will return unto you**, saith the LORD of hosts. But ye said, **Wherein shall we return?**

B. _____ God (Malachi 3:8-12)

1. Tithes and _____ (Malachi 3:8-9)

8 **Will a man rob God?** Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, **Wherein have we robbed thee?** In **tithes and offerings**.

9 Ye are cursed with a curse: **for ye have robbed me**, even this whole nation.

2. Promises of _____ for giving (Malachi 3:10a)

10 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove(_____) **me** now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts,

a. _____ from Heaven (Malachi 3:10b)

if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

b. The _____ Rebuked (Malachi 3:11)

11 **And I will rebuke the devourer** for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.

c. _____ among the nations of the world (Malachi 3:12)

12 **And all nations shall call you blessed:** for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts.

C. Speaking _____ of God (Malachi 3:13-15)

13 **Your words have been stout**(_____) **against me**, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, **What have we spoken so much against thee?**

14 Ye have said, **It is vain to serve God: and what profit is it that we have kept his ordinance, and that we have walked mournfully before the LORD of hosts?**

15 **And now we call the proud happy; yea, they that work wickedness are set up; yea, they that tempt God are even delivered.**

D. God's Book of _____ (Malachi 3:16-18)

16 Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard it, and **a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.**

17 **And they shall be mine**, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and **I will spare them**, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.

18 **Then shall ye return**, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.

VI. The Prediction of the Day of the _____ (Malachi 4)

A. _____ Comes (Malachi 4:1)

1 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**.

B. The Justifier _____ (Malachi 4:2-3)

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.

C. Jesus Is That _____ (Malachi 4:4-6)

4 Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.

5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD:

6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

