

“IT ALL STARTS AT THE TOP” MALACHI 1:6-8

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Scripture Reference: Malachi 1:6-8

I. THE “DESPISING”

Malachi 1:6 “*To you priests who despise My name.*”

1) OF HIS POSITION

Malachi 1:6 “*A son honors his father, and a servant his master. If then I am the Father, where is My honor?*”

2) OF HIS PRAISE

Malachi 1:6 “*And if I am a Master, where is My reverence?*”

3) OF HIS PERSON

Malachi 1:6 “*To you priests who despise My name. Yet you say, ‘In what way have we despised Your name?’”*

II. THE “DEFILING”

Malachi 1:7 “*In what way have we defiled You?*”

1) HIS PURITY

Malachi 1:7 “*You offer defiled food on My altar*”

2) HIS PERFECTION

Malachi 1:7 “*The table of the Lord is contemptible.*”

3) HIS PRINCIPLES

Malachi 1:7 “*The table of the Lord is contemptible.*”

III. THE “DISGUSTING”

Malachi 1:8 *“Offer it then to your governor!”*

1) THE OFFERING

Malachi 1:8 *“And when you offer the blind as a sacrifice, is it not evil? And when you offer the lame and sick, is it not evil?”*

2) THE OBEDIENCE

Malachi 1:8 *“Offer it then to your governor!”*

3) THE OBSERVATION

Malachi 1:8 *“Offer it then to your governor! Would he be pleased with you? Would he accept you favorably?” Says the Lord of hosts.”*