

“THE ALMIGHTY’S ACCEPTANCE” MALACHI 1:9-14

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Scripture Reference: Malachi 1:9-14

I. HIS “OFFERING OF GRACE”

Malachi 1:9 *“But now entreat God’s favor, that He may be gracious to us.”*

1) THE MISTAKE

Malachi 1:9 *“But now entreat God’s favor, that He may be gracious to us. While this is being done by your hands, will He accept you favorably?” says the Lord of hosts.”*

2) THE MESSENGER

Malachi 1:10 *“Who is there even among you who would shut the doors, so that you would not kindle fire on My altar in vain? I have no pleasure in you,’ says the Lord of hosts, ‘nor will I accept an offering from your hands.’”*

3) THE MAGNITUDE OF IT

Malachi 1:11 *“For from the rising of the sun, even to its going down, My name shall be great among the Gentiles; in every place incense shall be offered to My name, and a pure offering; for My name shall be great among the nations,’ says the Lord of hosts.”*

II. THE “OBSERVATION BY THE GODLY”

Malachi 1:12 *“But you profane it”*

1) THE CONTEMPTIBLE

Malachi 1:12 *“But you profane it, in that you say, ‘The table of the Lord is defiled and its fruit, its food, is contemptible.’”*

2) THE COMPLAINING

Malachi 1:13 *“You also say, ‘Oh, what a weariness!’ And you sneer at it”*

3) THE COMPROMISING

Malachi 1:13 *“And you bring the stolen, the lame, and the sick; thus you bring an offering! Should I accept this from your hand?’ says the Lord.”*

III. OUR “OATH TO GOD”

Malachi 1:14 “*And takes a vow*”

1) THE DECEPTION

Malachi 1:14 “*But cursed be the deceiver*”

2) THE DECREE

Malachi 1:14 “*Who has in his flock a male, and takes a vow, but sacrifices to the Lord what is blemished*”

3) THE DEITY

Malachi 1:14 “*“For I am a great King,’ says the Lord of hosts, ‘and My name is to be feared among the nations.’”*