

# Malachias



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1The burden of the word of the Lord to Israel by the hand of his messenger.  
Lay it, I pray you, to heart.

2I have loved you, saith the Lord. And ye said, Wherein hast thou loved us? Was not Esau Jacob's brother? saith the Lord: yet <sup>1</sup> I loved Jacob, <sup>3</sup> and hated Esau, and <sup>2</sup> laid waste his borders, and made his heritage as dwellings of the wilderness? <sup>4</sup> Because one will say, Idumea has been overthrown, but let us return and rebuild the desolate places; thus saith the Lord Almighty, They shall build, but I will throw down; and they shall be called The borders of wickedness, and, The people against whom the Lord has set himself for ever. <sup>5</sup> And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say, The Lord has been magnified <sup>3</sup> upon the borders of Israel.

6A son honours his father, and a servant his master: if then I am a father, where is mine honour? and if I am a master, where is my fear? saith the Lord Almighty. Ye the priests are they that despise my name: yet ye said, Wherein have we despised thy name? <sup>7</sup> In that ye bring to mine altar polluted bread; and ye said, Wherein have ye polluted it? In that ye say, The table of the Lord is polluted, and that which was set thereon ye have despised. <sup>8</sup> For if ye bring a blind victim for sacrifices, is it not evil? and if ye bring the lame or the sick, is it not evil? offer it now to thy ruler, and see if he will receive thee, if he will accept thy person, saith the Lord Almighty.

9And now <sup>4</sup> intreat the face of your God, and make supplication to him. These things have been done by your hands; shall I accept you? saith the Lord Almighty. <sup>10</sup> Because even among you the doors shall be shut, and one will not kindle the fire of mine altar for nothing, I have no pleasure in you, saith the Lord Almighty, and I will not accept a sacrifice at your hands. <sup>11</sup> For from the rising of the sun even to the going down thereof my name has been glorified among the Gentiles; and in every place incense is offered to my name, and a pure offering: for my name is great among the Gentiles, saith the Lord Almighty.

12But ye profane it, in that ye say, The table of the Lord is polluted, and his meats set thereon are despised. <sup>13</sup> And ye said, These services are troublesome: therefore I have <sup>5</sup> utterly rejected them with scorn, saith the Lord Almighty: and ye brought in torn victims, and lame, and sick: if then ye

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<sup>1</sup> + 1:2 Rom. 9. 13.

<sup>2</sup> + 1:3 Lit. appointed them for desolation.

<sup>3</sup> + 1:5 Gr. above.

<sup>4</sup> + 1:9 Lit. propitiate.

<sup>5</sup> + 1:13 Gr. puffed at them.