

# MALACHI OUTLINE

LOVE		REBUKE			HOPE	
<b>1:1-5</b>		<b>1:6-2:9</b> <i>Against the Priests</i>	<b>2:10-3:15</b> <i>Against the People</i>		<b>3:16-4:6</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reminder of God's Love for Israel (1:2-4)</li> <li>Sovereign (1:5)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contempt for God's altar (1:6-14)</li> <li>Contempt for God's glory (2:1-3)</li> <li>Contempt for God's law (2:4-9)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mixed Marriages (2:10-12)</li> <li>Heartless Divorces (2:13-16)</li> <li>Doubtful Questions (2:17-3:6)</li> <li>Unpaid Tithes (3:7-12)</li> <li>Slandorous Talk (3:13-15)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Warning &amp; Promise (3:16-4:3)</li> <li>Present Preparation (4:4)</li> <li>Future Preparation (4:5-6)</li> </ul>	
THEOLOGICAL		HISTORICAL			PROPHETIC	
DISPUTES:	<b>DISPUTE 1</b> 1:2-5 Yahweh's love for Israel	<b>DISPUTE 2</b> 1:6-2:9 Priest's Indifference	<b>DISPUTE 3</b> 2:10-16 Mixed Marriages and Divorces	<b>DISPUTE 4</b> 2:17-3:5 Problem of God's Justice	<b>DISPUTE 5</b> 3:6-12 Sin of Robbing God	<b>DISPUTE 6</b> 3:13-18 Arrogant and the Humble

**Theme:** God charges the priests and people with failure to keep His covenant but offers hope of the Messiah, the Messenger of the covenant who would bring justice and salvation.

**Written:** Malachi was likely written when Nehemiah returned to Persia (433-424BC).

**Christ in Malachi:** Malachi anticipates the first and second comings of Christ. Christ comes to fulfill God's covenant with Israel (3:1), judge sinners (3:2-5), and bring spiritual healing to those who fear the Lord (4:2).

