

# **Malahias**

## **Chapter 1**

**T**he concern of the word of the Lord to Israel by the hand of his messenger. Lay *it*, I pray you, to heart. 2 I have loved you, says the Lord. And ye said, Wherein has Thou loved us? Was not Esau Jacob's brother? Says the Lord: yet I loved Jacob, 3 and hated Esau and laid waste his borders, and made his inheritance as habitations of the wilderness? 4 Because one will say, Idumea has been overthrown, but let us return and rebuild the desolate places; thus said 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 forever. 5 And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say, The Lord has been magnified above the borders of Israel.

6 A son honors *his* father and a servant his master: if then I am a father, where is My honor? And if I am a master, where is My fear? Says the Lord Almighty. Ye the priests are they that despise My name: yet ye said, Wherein have we despised Thy name? 7 In that ye bring to My 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. 8 For if ye bring *that which is* blind 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, if he will receive thee, if he will accept thy person, said the Lord Almighty. 9 And now propitiate the face of your God, and make supplication to Him. These things have been done by your hands; shall I accept you? Says the Lord Almighty. 10 Because even among you the doors shall be shut, and will not kindle My altar for nothing, I have no pleasure in you, Says the Lord Almighty, and I will not accept a sacrifice at your hands.

11 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, says the Lord Almighty. 12 But ye profane it, in that ye say, The table of the Lord is polluted, and his meats set thereon are treated with disgust. 13 And ye said, These *services* are troublesome: therefore I have puffed at them with scorn, says the Lord Almighty: and ye brought in torn victims, and lame, and sick: if then ye should bring an offering, shall I accept them at your hands? Says the Lord Almighty. 14 And cursed *is the one* who had the power, and possessed a male in his flock, and whose vow is upon him, and who sacrifices a corrupt thing to the Lord: for I am a great King, says the Lord Almighty, and My name is glorious among the Gentiles.

## Malahias 2

### Chapter 2

**A**nd now, O priests, this commandment is to you. 2 If ye should not hearken, and if ye will not lay to heart, to give glory to My name, says the Lord Almighty, then I will send forth the curse upon you, and I will bring a curse upon your blessing: yea, I will curse it, and I will scatter your blessing, and it shall not exist among you, because ye lay not this to heart. 3 Behold, I separate to you the shoulder, and I will scatter *the dung of a large intestine* upon your faces, *the dung of a large intestine* of your feasts, and I will carry you *away* at the same time. 4 And ye shall know that I have sent this commandment to you, that My covenant might be with the sons of Levi, says the Lord Almighty.

5 My covenant of life and peace was with him, and I gave to him fear to fear me, and from the presence of my name to place him at attention. 6 The law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked before Me directing *his path* in peace, and he turned many from unrighteousness. 7 For the priest's lips shall keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of the Lord Almighty. 8 But ye have turned aside from the way, and caused many to fail in the law: ye have corrupted the covenant of Levi, says the Lord Almighty. 9 And I have made you despised and cast out among all the people, because ye have not kept My ways, but have shown partiality in the law.

10 Have ye not all one father? Did not one God create you? Why have ye forsaken every man his brother, to profane the covenant of your fathers? 11 Judah has been forsaken, and an abomination has been committed in Israel and in Jerusalem; for Judah has profaned the holy things of the Lord, which he delighted in, and has gone after other gods. 12 The Lord will utterly destroy the man that does these things, until he be even cast down from out of the tabernacles of Jacob, and from among them that offer sacrifice to the Lord Almighty. 13 And these things which I hated, ye did: ye covered with tears the altar of the Lord, and with weeping and groaning because of troubles: yet *thinking it* proper to look upon *your* sacrifice, or to take *them* as acceptable from out of your hands? 14 Yet ye said, Wherefore? For the Lord has borne witness between thee and the wife of thy youth, whom thou have forsaken, and *yet* she was thy partner, and the wife of thy covenant.

15 And did he not do well? And *there was* the remnant of his spirit. But ye said, What does God seek but a seed? But take ye heed to your spirit, and forsake not the wife of thy youth. 16 But if thou should hate *thy wife* and put her away, says the Lord God of Israel, then ungodliness shall cover thy thoughts, says the Lord Almighty: therefore take ye heed to your spirit, and forsake not, 17 ye that have provoked God with your words. But ye said, Wherein have we provoked

Him? In that ye say, Every one that does evil is pleasing in the sight of the Lord,  
and He takes pleasure in such; and, Where is the God of justice?