

Mal. 3:6-12

Desire and Robbing God

The Eighth Word, Part Two

Sermon Notes for July 10, 2011 by Pastor Dennis R. Tuuri

Introduction - Desire and Property; Desire and Motivation

Context (From RCC SS Curriculum) - Malachi: Be Faithful! The Day is coming!

Post-exilic, Staying on Track, What's the dif? (Msl. 1:2; 2:17; 3:14)

A. Yahweh is Just – He loves Israel (1:1-5)

B. Priests and people have cheated Yahweh in offerings (1:6-14)

C. Past Levi served in righteousness (2:1-9)

D. CENTER: Stop being unfaithful to Yahweh and wives (2:10-16)

C' Future Levite will come as Yahweh's messenger (2:17-3:6)

B' People have robbed Yahweh of tithes and offerings (3:7-12)

A' Yahweh is Just – He will reward the righteous and judge the wicked (3:13-4:3)

Conclusion: **Day of Yahweh** (4:4-6)

5 Part Intro; Curse; Closed Doors, Open windows; Father (1:6; 2:10), Fathers (3:7; 4:6)

The Text

1. The Summons - Return to Me
Pre and Post Exile
2. The Charge - Robbing God
3. The Specification - Tithes and Offerings
 - A. The Pre-Mosaic Tithe
 - 1.) Abram and Meichizedek - Gen. 14; Heb. 7:9
 - 2.) Jacob and Bethel - Gen. 28, Amos 4:4
 - B. The Mosaic Tithe
 - 1.) Num. 18 - The Tithe Supports Ministers
 - 2.) Dt. 12, 14 - The Mosaic Prism and the Tithe
 - 3.) Dt. 26 - The Tithe and Covenant Ratification
 - C. The Tithe and Covenant Reconstruction
 - 1.) Hezekiah - 2 Chr. 31
 - 2.) Nehemiah - Neh. 10, 12 13 (Worship, Marriage and Tithe)
 - D. The Tithe & Abraham's Children (Us) Ga. 3:29; Ro. 4:11,12; He. 7; 1Co. 9:13,14; 16:1,2
4. The Punishment - Cursed
5. The Correction - Bring All the Tithes
6. The Reward
 - A. Heaven Opened (Temple Not Closed)
 - B. Devourer Rebuked
 - C. Wonderful Effect on the Nations (1:14b; 11)
7. The Day of the Lord and Our Father/Governor in Heaven