

Own Your WORSHIP (John 4.24)

I. Malachi's background —

- A. A post-exilic (post-exile) prophet — contemporary with Ezra and Nehemiah.
- B. Addressed the spiritual and moral decay then prevalent.

II. “How have we despised Your name?” (Malachi 1.6)

- A. By offering _____.
(Malachi 1.7-11; cf. Leviticus 22.17-21, 25, 31-33; Proverbs 3.9-10)
- B. By offering _____.
(Malachi 1.12-14; cf. Isaiah 1.10-15; Malachi 2.1-9)
- C. By offering _____.
(Malachi 2.10-16; cf. Deuteronomy 7.3-4; Ezra 9-10; Nehemiah 13.23-25)

III. How do we “entreat God's favor” (Malachi 1.9; cf. 1 Peter 2.4-5)?

- A. Remember _____ . (Malachi 1.2-5)
- B. No distinction between “_____ sin” and “_____ sin.”
- C. God seeks _____ .
- D. As “_____” (1 Peter 2.5,9), we have _____ . (Malachi 2.7-9)
- E. “How shall we return?” (3.7) — Beware of _____ . (Malachi 3.8-12)
 - a) By failing to _____ . (Malachi 3.8-12; cf. Psalm 145.1-3ff)
 - b) By failing to _____ .
(Malachi 1.6-12; cf. Exodus 3.5; Proverbs 3.9-10; John 4.23-24; Matthew 6.33)
 - c) By failing to _____ .
(Malachi 1.13-14; cf. John 4.24)
 - d) By failing to _____ .
(Malachi 2.10-16; cf. Psalm 29.1-2; Romans 12.1-2)