



# Logos Class – Book of Malachi

On-Campus and Zoom class for May 29, 2022

Malachi – Ch 2B-3

#### Our next few weeks...

- ✓ May 15, 2022 Testimony and Malachi Intro/Ch 1A
- ✓ May 22, 2022 Malachi Ch 1B & 2A
- ✓ May 29, 2022 Malachi Ch 2B & 3
- June 5, 2022 ICYMI & Malachi Ch 4
- June 12, 2022 Special lesson
- June 19, 2022 Carroll Springer
- June 26, 2022 Carroll Springer

# American Military Cemetery in Normandy, FR



- 172 acres
- 9,387 AMERICAN MILITARY DEAD
- Bluff overlooking Omaha Beach
- 3 American women and 2 sons of President Teddy Roosevelt

# Before we start the Scripture...

- Memorial Day
- Uvalde Texas
- Signs of the Times ICYMI
  - ISRAEL attacking Damascus, Largest war games ever
  - Israel taking our IRGC Commander
  - Israel refused US request to send their Missiles to Ukraine
  - May 14, 1948, and Nakba
  - May 29, 1967, and Jerusalem Day
  - Other things for another time

Pray for the Situation and God to be in Control

## Book of Malachi

• We have covered the 3 of the 6 Oracles of Burden in Malachi

✓ Respond to God's Love Ch 1:2-5

**✓** Honor God **Ch 1:6-2:9** 

✓ Be Faithful as God's Covenant people Ch 2:10-16

• Hope in God Ch 2:17-3:6

• Obey God Ch 3:7-12

• Fear and Respect God Ch 3:13-4:3

Today we will cover the other 3 and finish the 6<sup>th</sup> next week

# Malachi Ch 2: 7-9 Priests Judgment

- <sup>7</sup> "For the lips of a priest ought to preserve knowledge, because he is the messenger of the LORD Almighty and people seek instruction from his mouth.
- <sup>8</sup> But you have turned from the way and by your teaching have caused many to stumble; you have violated the covenant with Levi," says the LORD Almighty.
- <sup>9</sup> "So I have caused you to be despised and humiliated before all the people, because you have not followed my ways but have shown partiality in matters of the law."

# Malachi Ch 2:10-12 Faithfulness is Important

#### Oracle 3 -Be faithful as God's Covenant people

<sup>10</sup> "Do we not all have **one father**? Has not **one God created us**? Why do we deal treacherously each against his brother so as to profane the covenant of our fathers?

<sup>11</sup> Judah has **dealt treacherously**, and an abomination has been committed in Israel and in Jerusalem; for Judah has profaned the sanctuary of the LORD which He loves and has married the daughter of a foreign god.

<sup>12</sup> As for the man who does this, may the LORD cut(him) off from the tents of Jacob everyone who awakes and answers, or who presents an offering to the LORD of hosts.

# Malachi Ch 2:13-15 ...and another thing

<sup>13</sup> Another thing you do: You flood the Lord's altar with tears. You weep and wail because he no longer looks with favor on your offerings or accepts them with pleasure from your hands.

<sup>14</sup> You ask, "Why?" It is because the LORD is the witness between you and the wife of your youth. You have been unfaithful to her, though she is your partner, the wife of your marriage covenant.

<sup>15</sup> Has not the one God made you (one)? You (both) belong to him in body and spirit. And what does the one God seek? **Godly offspring**. So be on your guard, and do not be unfaithful to the wife of your youth.

<sup>16</sup> "The man who hates and divorces his wife," says the LORD, the God of Israel, "does violence to the one he should protect," says the LORD Almighty.

So be on your guard, and do not be unfaithful.

## Malachi Ch 2:17

## Oracle 4 – Hope in God

<sup>17</sup> You have wearied the LORD with your words.

"How have we wearied him?" you ask.

By saying, "All who do evil are good in the eyes of the LORD, and he is pleased with them" or "Where is the God of justice?"

# Malachi Ch 3:1-5 ... A look into the future

- <sup>1</sup> "I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come," says the LORD Almighty.
- <sup>2</sup> But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap.
- <sup>3</sup> He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver. Then the LORD will have men who will bring offerings in righteousness,
- <sup>4</sup> and the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem will be acceptable to the LORD, as in days gone by, as in former years.
- <sup>5</sup> "So I will come to **put you on trial**. I will be **quick to testify against** sorcerers, adulterers and perjurers, against those who defraud laborers of their wages, who oppress the widows and the fatherless, and deprive the foreigners among you of justice, but do not fear me," says the LORD Almighty.

## Malachi Ch 3:6-9 Disobedience called out

<sup>6</sup> "I the LORD do not change. So, you, the descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed.

#### Oracle #5 – Obey God

<sup>7</sup> Ever since the time of your ancestors you have turned away from my decrees and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you," says the LORD Almighty.

"But you ask, 'How are we to return?'

<sup>8</sup> "Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me.

"But you ask, 'How are we robbing you?'

"In tithes and offerings.

<sup>9</sup> You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me.

# Malachi Ch 3:10-12 Giving to the Lord

<sup>10</sup> Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.

<sup>11</sup> I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe," says the LORD Almighty.

12 "Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land," says the LORD Almighty.

# Malachi 3: Reconciling this to Grace vs Works

In my Bible I have a note for reference: We must be careful to look for <u>principles</u> here and <u>not legalism</u> because Christ has done away with the Old Covenant rules and regulations. We are under a new covenant. Some reference verses.

#### Eph 2:14-15

<sup>14</sup> For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility,

<sup>15</sup> by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace,

#### Rom 10:14

4 Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

#### Heb 8:13

13 By calling this covenant "new," he has made the first one obsolete; and what is obsolete and outdated will soon disappear.

## Malachi 3:13-15 Arrogance and Self-importance

Oracle #6 - Fear God, and Humble yourself before Him

- 13 "You have spoken arrogantly against me," says the LORD.
- "Yet you ask, 'What have we said against you?'
- <sup>14</sup> "You have said, 'It is futile to serve God. What do we gain by carrying out his requirements and going about like mourners before the LORD Almighty?
- <sup>15</sup> But now we call the arrogant blessed. Certainly, evildoers prosper, and even when they put God to the test, they get away with it."

# Malachi 3:16-18 The Faithful Remnant

- <sup>16</sup> Then those who feared the LORD talked with each other, and the LORD listened and heard. A scroll of remembrance was written in his presence concerning those who feared the LORD and honored his name.
- <sup>17</sup> "On the day when I act," says the LORD Almighty, "they will be my treasured possession. I will spare them, just as a father has compassion and spares his son who serves him.
- <sup>18</sup> And you will again see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between those who serve God and those who do not.

## Next Week

- I will do a longer ICYMI before we finish
- We will finish Malachi Chapter 4 and Summarize what it means
- Pray for Israel and the Middle East, the Peace of Jerusalem
- Pray for our leaders in the country and the church
- Pray for each other and for the families in Uvalde, Texas
- Remember those who gave it all for our country and

Happy Memorial Day