

“Malachi: Robbing God”

Malachi 3:6-12

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God is calling us to Return: to return to faithfulness, return what is His, and to return to blessedness.

1) RETURN TO FAITHFULNESS (v. 6-7)

2) RETURN WHAT IS HIS (v. 8-10a)

3) RETURN TO BLESSEDNESS (v. 10b-12)

READ AHEAD FOR NEXT WEEK: Malachi 3:13-4:1-6

Discussion Questions

ICEBREAKER: When you were a kid, did you ever steal something from your parents or siblings? Did you return it?

- 1) What is significant about God never changing?
- 2) Who is He comparing His unchanging nature to?
- 3) What is your understanding of what it means to return to God?
- 4) What is the example of returning to God that the Lord uses in this passage?
- 5) How is not tithing or giving the appropriate offering the same as robbing God?
- 6) Why do you think money causes so many problems for us?
- 7) Where do all our resources, energy, and money come from?
- 8) What are some unhealthy attitudes towards money that we need to turn from?
- 9) According to the passage, what are the consequences of being unfaithful with our money?
- 10) What does God say He will do if we honor Him with our resources?
- 11) What is the danger of only coming to God for what we can get from Him?
- 12) How has this passage challenged or encouraged you?
- 13) How can we pray for you today?