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## Scriptural References and Comment Notes

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### # 12-069-36 MALACHI: A MESSAGE FROM MY MESSENGER (RSV)

2:15 Malachi 1:1 A word to Israel through Malachi. The Hebrew word Malachi can be translated “My Messenger”. Teaching. Reference Malachi 2:7 and 3:1. Teaching on this the last prophesy of the Old Testament.

5:30 The Hebrew Socrates? The Socratic method of teaching. Statement – Challenge – Answer. Teaching – examples. Malachi 1:2 Statement: “I have loved you,” says the LORD. Challenge – “But you ask, ‘How have you loved Us?’. Answer – The message within Malachi 1:2-5.

The process is repeated over and over. Ex: Reference Malachi 1:6 ff; 2:13ff; 2:17ff; 3:7ff; 3:13 ff.

9:55 Malachi 1:6 Statement: “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 of hosts to you, O priests, who despise my name. Teaching.

11:10 Malachi 1:6 Challenge: You say, ‘How have we despised thy name?’ Teaching.

11:20 Malachi 1:7 Answer: By offering polluted food upon my altar. Teaching – the dialog continues in the same manner; 1:8 Offering worthless sacrifices in violation of God’s

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will. Reference Deuteronomy 15:19-21 Firstborn without blemish.

13:20 Malachi 1:12-13 Teaching on polluted sacrifices. Teaching: We are a holy priesthood; Reference 1 Peter 2:9 and we are to offer spiritual sacrifices to the Lord: Praise and Thanksgiving as well as our whole being, Reference Romans 12:1. I appeal to you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Teaching on the sacrifice of our life and not a defiled sacrifice – as in putting money in the plate while withholding ourself. Teaching - Bring everything in your life to the Lord, hold nothing back.

19:50 Malachi 2:13 Statement: You cover the LORD's altar with tears, with weeping and groaning because he no longer regards the offering or accepts it with favor at your hand.

20:30 Malachi 2:14 Challenge: "Why does he not?" (accept the sacrifice).

Answer: Teaching on verses 14-16. Divorce is an act of violence. Teaching on divorce. Confess the sin ask for forgiveness. Repent, but do not try and justify it. Release the bitterness and resentment.

29:15 Malachi 3:7 Statement: From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts.

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Malachi 3:7- Challenge: ....But you say, 'How shall we return?' 8 Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me. But you say, 'How are we robbing thee?'

Answer: In your tithes and offerings.  
Teaching – Beginning with the fact that life itself is a gift and all that we have is in trust. We will one day give an account of our stewardship regarding what we have been given. The traditional biblical standard for the Tithe is ten percent. Offerings are above and beyond the Tithe.

33:45 Malachi 3:13 Statement: "Your words have been stout against me, says the LORD."

Challenge: "How have we spoken against thee?"

Answer: Malachi 3:14-15 You have said, 'It is vain to serve God. What is the good of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? 15 Henceforth we deem the arrogant blessed; evildoers not only prosper but when they put God to the test they escape.'" Teaching – The people were cynical. They thought the arrogant and evildoers were doing better than they. Reference, Malachi 2:17 You have wearied the LORD with your words. Yet you say, "How have we wearied him?" By saying, "Every one who does evil is good in the sight of the LORD, and he delights in them." Or by asking, "Where is the God of justice?"

Reference Psalm 73:3-13 The appearance that the arrogant and wicked are often given more than the humble and obedient.

Teaching – Our rewards are in a different book, not of this world's making.

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36:45 Malachi 3:16-18 Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another; the LORD heeded and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and thought on his name. 17 “They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, my special possession on the day when I act, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. 18 Then once more you shall distinguish between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.

37:40 Malachi 1:2 Statement: “I have loved you.” Says the Lord.

38:00 Malachi 3:7 Command: Return to me

Promise: and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts.

Terry closes by asking the congregation to do an examination of conscience regarding their surrender to the Lord.

Mal. 1:1 The oracle of the word of the LORD to Israel by Malachi.

Mal. 1:2 “I have loved you,” says the LORD. But you say, “How hast thou loved us?” “Is not Esau Jacob’s brother?” says the LORD. “Yet I have loved Jacob 3 but I have hated Esau; I have laid waste his hill country and left his heritage to jackals of the desert.” 4 If Edom says, “We are shattered but we will rebuild the ruins,” the LORD of hosts says, “They may build, but I will tear down, till they are called the wicked country, the people with whom the LORD is angry for ever.” 5 Your own eyes shall see this, and you shall say, “Great is the LORD, beyond the border of Israel!”

Mal. 1:6 “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 of hosts to you, O priests, who despise my name. You say, ‘How have we despised thy name?’ 7 By offering polluted food upon my altar. And you say, ‘How have we polluted it?’ By thinking that the LORD’s table may be despised. 8 When you offer blind animals in sacrifice, is that no evil? And when you offer those that are lame or sick, is that no evil? Present that to your governor; will he be pleased with you or show you favor? says the LORD of hosts. 9 And now entreat the favor of God, that he may be gracious to us. With such a gift from your hand, will he show favor to any of you? says the LORD of hosts. 10 Oh, that there were one among you who would shut the doors, that you might not kindle fire upon my altar in vain! I have no pleasure in you, says the LORD of hosts, and I will not accept an offering from your hand. 11 For from the rising of the sun to its setting my name is great among the nations, and in every place incense is offered to my name, and a pure offering; for my name is great among the nations, says the LORD of hosts. 12 But you profane it when you say that the LORD’s table is polluted, and the food for it may be despised. 13 ‘What a weariness this is,’ you say, and you sniff at me, says the LORD of hosts. You bring what has been taken by violence or is lame or sick, and this you bring as your offering! Shall I accept that from your hand? says the LORD. 14 Cursed be the cheat who has a male in his flock, and vows it, and yet sacrifices to the Lord what is blemished; for I am a great King, says the LORD of hosts, and my name is feared among the nations.

Mal. 2:7 For the lips of a priest should guard knowledge, and men should seek instruction from his mouth, for he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts.

Mal. 3:1 “Behold, I send my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts.

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Mal. 2:13 And this again you do. You cover the LORD’s altar with tears, with weeping and groaning because he no longer regards the offering or accepts it with favor at your hand. 14 You ask, “Why does he not?” Because the LORD was witness to the covenant between you and the wife of your youth, to whom you have been faithless, though she is your companion and your wife by covenant. 15 Has not the one God made and sustained for us the spirit of life? And what does he desire? Godly offspring. So take heed to yourselves, and let none be faithless to the wife of his youth. 16 “For I hate divorce, says the LORD the God of Israel, and covering one’s garment with violence, says the LORD of hosts. So take heed to yourselves and do not be faithless.”

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Deut. 15:19 "All the firstling males that are born of your herd and flock you shall consecrate to the LORD your God; you shall do no work with the firstling of your herd, nor shear the firstling of your flock. 20 You shall eat it, you and your household, before the LORD your God year by year at the place which the LORD will choose. 21 But if it has any blemish, if it is lame or blind, or has any serious blemish whatever, you shall not sacrifice it to the LORD your God.

1Pet. 2:9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, that you may declare the wonderful deeds of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Rom. 12:1 I appeal to you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

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Psa. 73:3 For I was envious of the arrogant, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked. 4 For they have no pangs; their bodies are sound and sleek. 5 They are not in trouble as other men are; they are not stricken like other men. 6 Therefore pride is their necklace; violence covers them as a garment. 7 Their eyes swell out with fatness, their hearts overflow with follies. 8 They scoff and speak with malice; loftily they threaten oppression. 9 They set their mouths against the heavens, and their tongue struts through the earth. 10 Therefore the people turn and praise them; and find no fault in them. 11 And they say, "How can God know? Is there knowledge in the Most High?" 12 Behold, these are the wicked; always at ease, they increase in riches. 13 All in vain have I kept my heart clean and washed my hands in innocence.

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