

MINISTRY OF MALACHI
THE DAY OF THE LORD
(Malachi 4:1-6)

- I. The CHARACTER of the Day (Mal. 4:1-3)
 - A. For the “ARROGANT” and the “EVILDOER” (4:1)
 - 1. It will BURN like a FURNACE
 - 2. They will be like CHAFF
 - 3. They will be DESTROYED beyond RECOVERY
 - B. For those who “FEAR My NAME” (4:2-3)
 - 1. It will be a “SUN of RIGHTEOUSNESS”
 - 2. They will be HEALED to live in JOYFUL FREEDOM
 - 3. They will be VINDICATED and VICTORIOUS
- II. The Importance of MOSES (Mal. 4:4)
 - A. As the SERVANT of the LORD
 - B. As the MESSENGER of the LAW
 - 1. The SOURCE of the Law was GOD
 - 2. The SCOPE of the Law was “for ALL ISRAEL”
 - C. Implying that the Law would be Israel’s GUIDE until the LORD appears

III. The Ministry of ELIJAH (Mal. 4:5-6)

- A. As the FORERUNNER of the LORD
 - 1. He would be SENT by the LORD
 - 2. He would come in ADVANCE of the “day of the LORD”
 - a. “TERRIBLE” display of God’s WRATH
 - b. “GREAT” fulfillment of God’s DELIVERANCE
- B. As the RESTORER of FAITH and FAMILY
- C. As the PREVENTER of God’s CURSE upon the LAND

IV. Lessons

- A. The Day of the Lord is SURELY COMING
 - 1. It will bring JUDGMENT upon the earth
 - 2. It will bring DELIVERANCE for God’s people
- B. God’s PROGRAM for the ages cannot be DISRUPTED
 - 1. It began with CREATION that was “VERY GOOD”
 - 2. Sin brought the CURSE upon all creation
 - 3. Christ took upon HIMSELF this CURSE for us
 - 4. Christ will ultimately REMOVE the CURSE from all creation
 - 5. He will rule FOREVER over creation RESTORED to its “VERY GOOD”
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