

The Prophecy of Malachi

Malachi 3.16-17: Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: And the LORD hearkened, and heard it, And a book of remembrance was written before him For them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name. And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, In that day when I make up my jewels; And I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.

	Dispute One	Dispute Two		Dispute Three	Dispute Four	Dispute Five	Dispute Six
Chapter	1.1-5	1.6-14	2.1-9	2.10-16	2.17-3.5	3.6-12	3.13-4.6
Theme	Doubting God's Love	Dishonouring God's Name	Disobeying God's Law	Disregarding God's Covenant	Defaming God's Character	Denying God His Due	Despising God's Service
Objection	1.2: "Wherein hast thou loved us?"	1.6: "Wherein have we despised thy name?" 1.7: "Wherein have we polluted thee?"		2.14: Yet ye say, "Wherefore?"	2.17: "Wherein have we wearied Him?"	3.7: "Wherein shall we return?" 3.8: "Wherein have we robbed thee?"	3.13: "What have we spoken against thee?"
Synopsis	<p><u>1.1: Introduction</u></p> <p>Love Declared (1.2a) Love Denied (1.2b) Love Defined (1.3-4) Love Displayed (1.5)</p>	<p><u>The Priests' Sins</u></p> <p>Dishonoured God's Name (1.6) Defiled God's Table (1.7-8) Despised God's Worship (1.9-12) Derided God's Service (1.13-14)</p>	<p><u>Interlude of judgment (2.1-9)</u></p> <p><u>The Priests' Warning</u></p> <p>Curse (2.1-3) Covenant (2.4-5) Character (2.6-7) Corruption (2.8) Condemnation (2.9)</p>	<p>Sin of Unequal Yoke (2.10-12) Its Cause (2.10-11) Its Cost (2.12-13)</p> <p>Sin of Unlawful Divorce (2.13-16) Divine Presence (2.14) Partnership (2.14) Promise (2.14) Principle (2.15)</p>	<p>Misjudgement of Divine Character (2.17)</p> <p><u>Interlude of judgment (3.1-5)</u></p> <p>The Messenger's Responsibility (3.1a)</p> <p>The Messiah's: Revelation (3.1b) Refining (3.2-4) Retribution (3.5)</p>	<p>Divine Promise Preservation (3.6) Provision (3.10-12)</p> <p>Divine Plea Repentance (3.7) Robbery (3.8-9)</p>	<p>The Remnant's: Conversation (3.16) Conduct (3.16) Consolation (3.17-18)</p> <p><u>Interlude of judgment (4.1-6)</u></p> <p>Prospect of the Wicked (4.1, 3) Prosperity of the Faithful (4.2)</p> <p><u>4.4-6: Conclusion</u></p>
Key Words (KJV English)	LORD (x6); saith (x4); loved (x3); Esau (x2); Israel (x2); Jacob (x2)	LORD (x11); offer or offering (x8); saith (x8); hosts (x7); name (x6)	Not (x5); hosts (x4); law (x4); LORD (x4); covenant (x3); curse (x3)	LORD (x7); not (x5); one (x5); treacherously (x5); wife (x3)	LORD (x7); come or coming (x4); offering (x3); day (x2); judgment (x2); messenger (x2); purify (x2)	Not (x6); LORD (x5); hosts (x4); robbed (x4); saith (x4); return (x3); blessing (x2); curse (x2)	LORD (x9); day (x5); hosts (x4); saith (x4); up (x4); all (x3); fear (x3); God (x3); serve (x3); wicked (x3)
Key Verse	1.2: I have loved you saith the Lord	1.11: From the rising of the sun to the going down of the same My name shall be great among the Gentiles	2.7: The priest's lips should keep knowledge, And they should seek the law at his mouth	2.16: For the LORD, the God of Israel, saith that he hateth putting away	3.1: Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me	3.10: Prove me now... if I will not open you the windows of heaven, And pour you out a blessing	4.2: But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise With healing in his wings

Key words in entire prophecy (English KJV translation): LORD (Jehovah, x49); saith (x27); hosts (x24); not (x21); offer or offering (x14); say (x11); name (x10); even (x9); day (x8); God (x8); one (x8); yet (x8); all (x7); curse (x7); fathers (x7); fear (x7); if (x7); behold (x6); come or coming (x6); covenant (x6); wherein (x6); Israel (x5)