

MALACHI: RETURN TO ME | JUST WAIT . . .
MALACHI 2:17-3:6

“Everyone who does evil is good in the Lord’s opinion.” “Where is the God of justice?” These were the accusations wayward Israel aimed at God. They were asking a common question, “Why do the wicked prosper?” They were coming to a wicked conclusion and attacking the character of God. They were also oblivious of their own sin. God had used Malachi to rebuke them for questioning His love for them, for sacrificing their worst instead of their best, for marrying spouses that led them into idol worship, and divorcing women whom they made a covenant before God. Now, He would rebuke them for questioning His righteousness. God responded to their accusation, by telling them judgment is coming. In today’s passage, what can we learn about God’s character as well as our own?

1. It is unacceptable to question God’s character by believing He will not _____ the _____.
2. When we question His _____, we expose our lack of _____.
3. His justice will be carried out through the _____ who came to _____ and will come to _____.
4. We can trust that He will keep His word because He is _____ - He never _____.