

The burden of the Word of the Lord by Malachi

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THE ACCOUNT IN THE SCRIPTURES:

Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep market a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda (House of Mercy), having five porches (symbol for the Penta-tuech or Law of Moses). In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel (Messenger) went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had, John 5: 2-4.

And when he was come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved (rock, vibrate from side to side, to agitate or simply troubled), saying, Who is this? And the multitude said, this is Jesus the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee, Matthew 21: 10-11.

And the Father himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape. And ye have not his word abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye believe not. Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me. And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life. I receive not honour from men. But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you. I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that *cometh* from God only? Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is *one* that accuseth you, *even* Moses, in whom ye trust. For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words? John 5: 37-47.

THE EXPLANATION:

Jerusalem the composite of two Hebrew words: Yaw-raw, Yaw-raw and Salem means to flow as water or rain peace or alternately to point out or teach how to be at peace. Yaw-raw, Yaw-raw is the root word for the Torah, Torah or word that translates to Law. Thus the message is conjured up that the Spirit is He who flows in the Law to teach peace.

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At Jerusalem is the Place of The Sanctuary, where the Name of the Lord was placed, **Deuteronomy 12: 5**, which is where God, the Eternal Spirit dwelt. The Ark of the Covenant was His Throne, having the Ten Commandments Covenant inside the Ark beneath the Mercy Seat and the Five Books of the Covenant Law called the Penta-teuch in its side on the outside. The picture is shown in **Revelation 22: 1** of the Ark of the Covenant in motion: and I saw a pure River of Water of Life clear as crystal flowing out of the Throne of God and of the Lamb.

The Pool of Bethesda with its Five Porches in Jerusalem was a teaching instrument. It was a magnification of the Mercy Seat and the Five Books of the Penta-teuch in the side of the Ark on the outside to the Pool of the House of Mercy with its Five Porches, respectively. The Lame, halt and blind laying in the Five Porches represented Israel who trusted in the writings of Moses or their religion but did not believe him, the Messenger; hence they remain in sickness or sins laying in the 5 porches of His Writings in the Law or trusting their religion, for had they believed him they would have believed in Jesus, the Messenger of the Covenant, whom God had sent.

Jesus is the Angel or **Messenger of the Covenant** which fulfilled or is the reality of **John 5: 2-4**. Like the Angel who went down at a certain time and troubled the Pool of water that whosoever stepped in first after the troubling was made whole Jesus entered Jerusalem, the place which flowed as water or rain peace and the whole city like the Pool was moved agitated or troubled. The man who was lame for thirty-eight years was the one who first believed at that time and fulfilled the prerequisite condition of the passage: seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all things shall be added unto you, **Matthew 6: 33**, and also the condition for his healing and hence was made whole. This miracle of wholeness, forgiveness and cleansing from sins, God purposes to fulfil every Sabbath Day by His Son, Jesus Christ, who is the **Messenger of the Covenant or the New Testament**.

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There are twenty eight (progressive) points the sum total of the arithmetic series of the precepts or statutes numbered: $1,2,3,4,5,6,7=28$ that are summarized in the **4 (1,Name of the Lord, 2,The Spirit, 3,Genesis and 4,Exothos or faith)**

Chapters of the **Book of Malachi**: the Messenger, Prophet, Priest or Teacher viz.: 4 times 7 equal 28.

The Messenger(s) as the forerunner(s) and the Messenger of the Covenant, Jesus, will fulfil every one of these point, these are their measure or their stature.

Revelation 11: 1-3 invites us to measure the Temple and the Altar and them that worship therein. '28' denotes that they have all attained or come into the unity of faith and unto the knowledge of the Son of God unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness (100% of each of the measure or precepts numbered 1..7) of Christ.

Chapter 1: Christ Jesus as the Messenger of the Covenant fulfilled the points accordingly: He came in the Name of the Lord: he was called the **Word of God**, **John 1: 1**; He came to send a **Sword (of the Spirit)**, **Matthew 10: 34**; He was the Sower of Seed or Word of God, **Luke 8: 5**, as well as was the **Seed** of the Woman, **Genesis 3: 15**; He was the gift of God that whosoever **believes and repent** should not perish, but have everlasting life, **John 3: 16**; He is the **First-fruit** of them from the grave, **1 Corinthians 15: 20**; He honoured His Father in every thing He did, saying, I can do nothing of myself but whatsoever my Father does I do, **John 5: 19, 30**, thus fulfilling: the fruit of the womb is His reward, **Psalms 127: 3**; and finally He is the Living Bread that was come down from Heaven, **John 6: 51**, which is offered for the life of the world.

Chapter 2: Christ Jesus has magnified the Law and made it more honourable, **Isaiah 42: 21**. Think not that I have come to change the Law but I have come to fulfil it. For until heaven and earth pass not one jot nor title shall pass from the Law till all be fulfilled. Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments and shall teach men to do so shall be called least in the Kingdom of heaven, but whosoever shall do and shall teach men to keep them shall be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven, **Matthew 5: 19** So Jesus is as the ready **Scribe** in whose hand is the **Law of the Lord** walking in the way of the Lord, as

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portrayed by Ezra: **Ezra 7: 6**; hence He received the **Spirit of the Priesthood, Scripture Text**; He obeyed the **Covenant of the Fathers** treating all as His brother; and obeyed the **Covenant of Levi** being faithful to His Father commandments; thus He had the **Covenant of Life and Peace**, he proclaimed I have come that you might have Life and have it more abundantly, **John 10: 10**; and the **Law of Truth** was in His mouth for out of His mouth went a sharp two edged sword, **Revelation 19: 15 and 21**; thus He is **the Messenger of the Lord of Hosts** for His lips kept knowledge and the Law of the Lord is enquired at His mouth.

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Malachi, Hebrew pronounced: Mal-aw-kee which means **ministrative**. It is from the root word pronounced: Mal-awk which means despatching as a **Deputy, Messenger, specifically of God that is an Angel (also a Prophet, Priest, or Teacher):- Ambassador, Angel, King, or Messenger.**

The book of Malachi is the last in the Old Testament and the one which precedes the First Book of the synoptic gospel, Matthew in the New Testament. This comes not by chance, especially, when one considers that the Prophecy of the Coming of Elijah before that great and terrible day of the Lord is recorded in its **4th Chapter.**

This subject was alluded to by 'the rest' who stood by at the cross of Jesus in **Matthew 27** and requested of the others 'to let be' or be quiet or silent and 'let us see if Elias will come and save Him.' It was in searching out this subject that I decided to break awhile from the study of Ezra and Matthew to measure **the Book of the Deputy, Messenger, Angel, Prophet, Priest or Teacher (Malachi).**

The first Hebrew word we encounter in **Malachi Chapter 1, verse 1** is pronounced: mas-saw' which means burden (and translated as such), specifically tribute or figuratively an utterance, chiefly a doom, especially singing; mental, desire: burden, carry away, prophecy, they set song or tribute. 'The burden of the Word of the Lord' is presented in the message of the Book's cover in the hand wielding the 'Sword of the Spirit' which is the Word of God.

The Government of Heaven is not dissimilar from earthly governments that sends ahead or despatches an Emissary, Ambassador or Deputy to go before the Head of State to prepare the way before One's visit. At His first coming one who describes himself as 'a voice crying in the wilderness, saying prepare the way of the Lord, make straight the way of the Lord,' **John 1:23 (Isaiah)**, was also sent. Jesus describes him as, 'if you would receive it this was Elias for to come,' **Matthew 11: 14.**

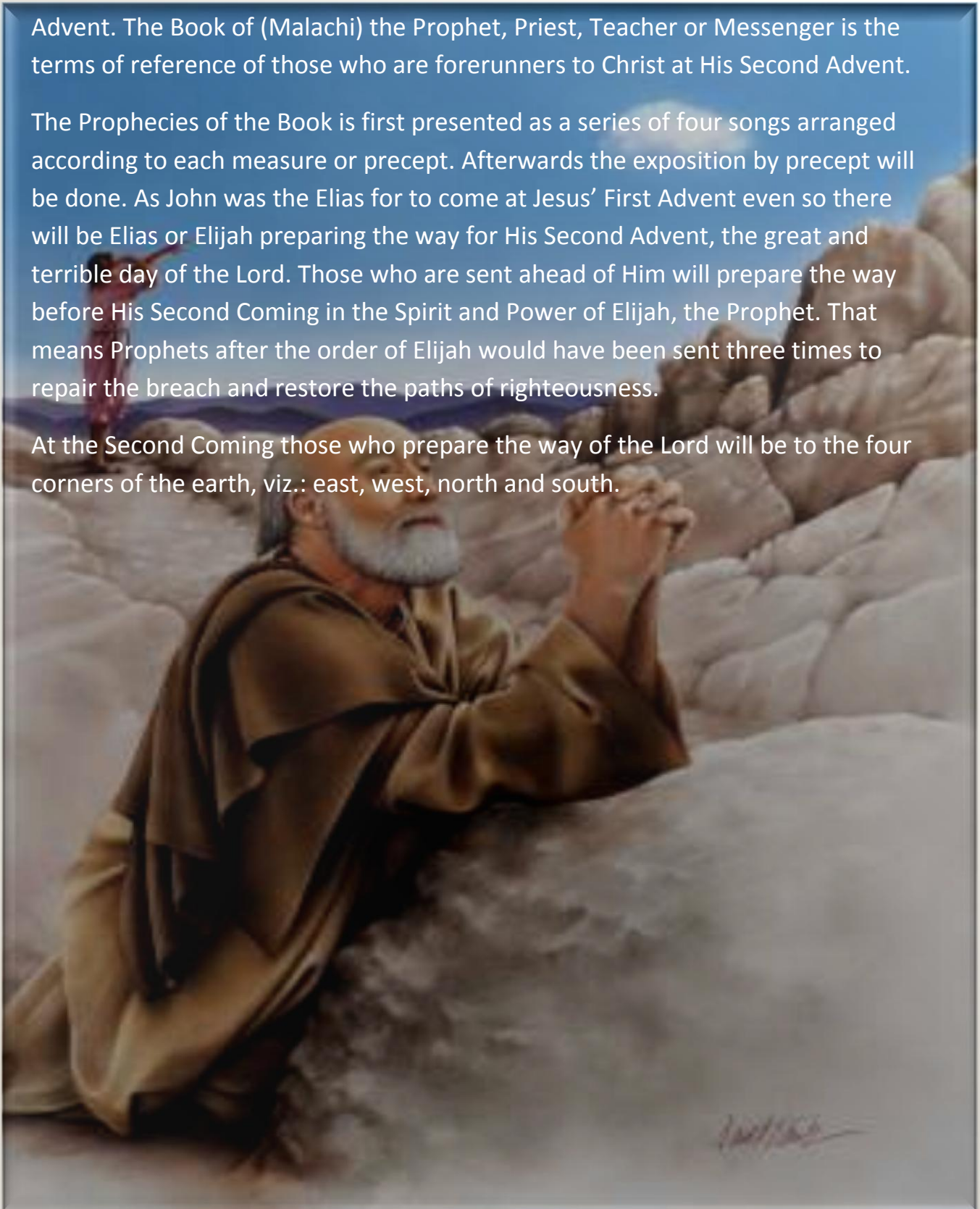
He went on to elaborate, saying, 'of them born of a woman there is none greater than John the Baptist,' **Matthew 11: 11.** John was the forerunner to Jesus at His First Advent. Similarly, there will be other forerunners to Jesus at His Second

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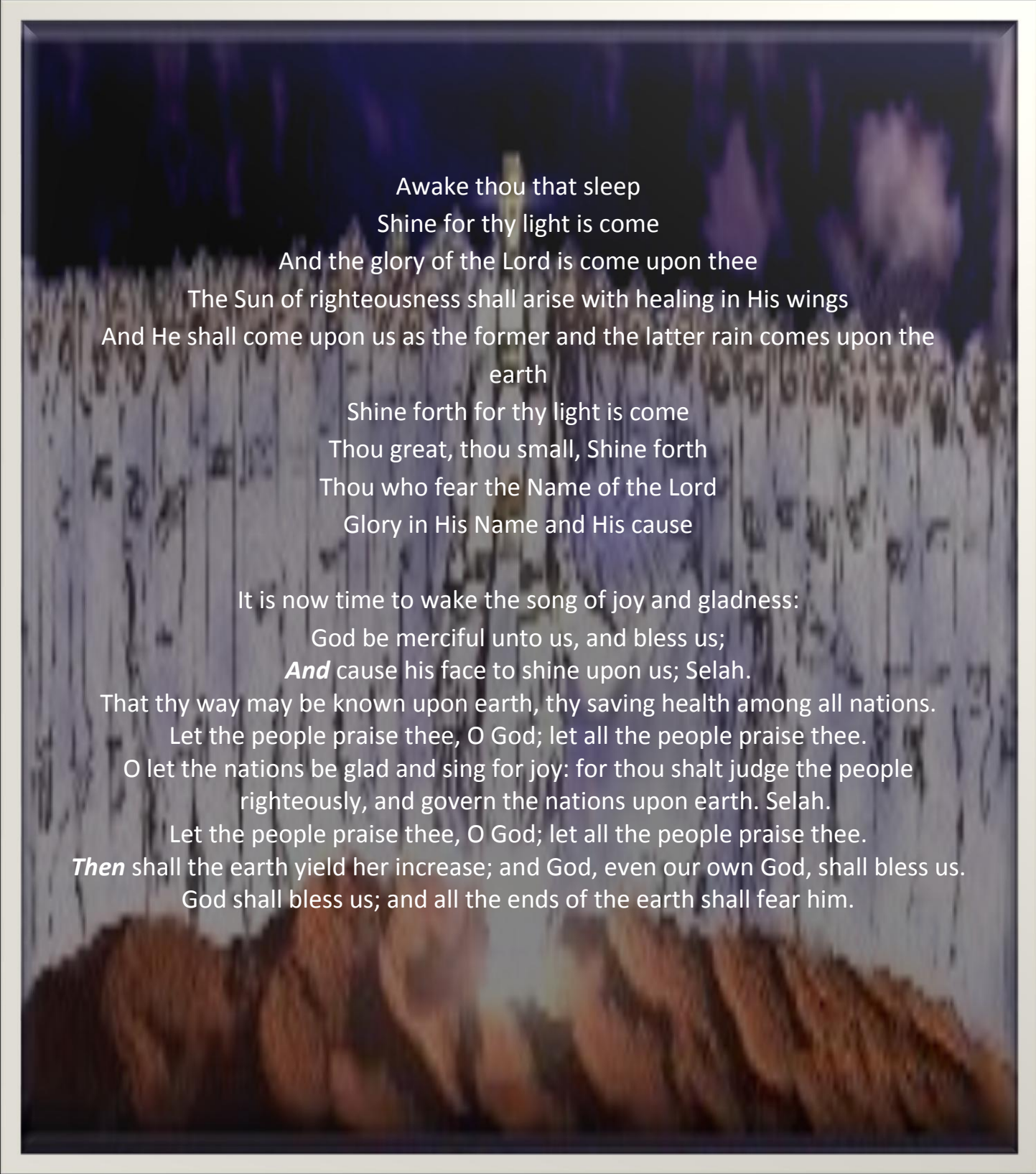
Advent. The Book of (Malachi) the Prophet, Priest, Teacher or Messenger is the terms of reference of those who are forerunners to Christ at His Second Advent.

The Prophecies of the Book is first presented as a series of four songs arranged according to each measure or precept. Afterwards the exposition by precept will be done. As John was the Elias for to come at Jesus' First Advent even so there will be Elias or Elijah preparing the way for His Second Advent, the great and terrible day of the Lord. Those who are sent ahead of Him will prepare the way before His Second Coming in the Spirit and Power of Elijah, the Prophet. That means Prophets after the order of Elijah would have been sent three times to repair the breach and restore the paths of righteousness.

At the Second Coming those who prepare the way of the Lord will be to the four corners of the earth, viz.: east, west, north and south.



DEDICATED TO THE FIRST-FRUITS



Awake thou that sleep
Shine for thy light is come
And the glory of the Lord is come upon thee
The Sun of righteousness shall arise with healing in His wings
And He shall come upon us as the former and the latter rain comes upon the
earth
Shine forth for thy light is come
Thou great, thou small, Shine forth
Thou who fear the Name of the Lord
Glory in His Name and His cause

It is now time to wake the song of joy and gladness:
God be merciful unto us, and bless us;
And cause his face to shine upon us; Selah.
That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.
Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.
O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people
righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Selah.
Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.
Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us.
God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

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SONG 1

The burden of the word of the LORD to Israel by Malachi

And if ye offer the blind for sacrifice, is it not evil?

And if ye offer the lame and sick, is it not evil?

Offer it now unto thy GOVERNOR (DEPUTY);

Will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person?

Thus saith the Lord of Hosts.

I have loved you.

Yet ye say, wherein hast thou loved us?

Was not Esau Jacob's brother?

Yet I loved Jacob,

And now, I pray you,

Beseech God that he will be gracious unto us:

This hath been by your means:

Will He regard your persons?

Thus saith the LORD of hosts.

And I hated Esau,

And laid his mountains and his heritage waste

For the dragons of the wilderness.

Who is there even among you that would shut the doors for nought?

Neither do ye kindle fire on mine altar for nought.

I have no pleasure in you,

Neither will I accept an offering at your hand

Thus saith the LORD of hosts

Whereas Edom saith,

We are impoverished (demolish),

But we will return (go out) and build the desolate places;

Thus saith the LORD of hosts,

They shall build, but I will throw down;

And they shall call (call out) them,

The border of wickedness,

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For from the rising (out of the east) of the sun
Even unto the going down (go out in the west) of the same
MY NAME shall be great among the Gentiles;
And in every place incense shall be offered unto MY NAME,
And a pure offering:
For **MY NAME shall be great among the heathen,**
THUS saith the LORD of hosts.

And your eyes shall see,
And ye shall say,
The LORD will be magnified from the border of Israel.
But ye have profaned it,
In that ye say,
The table of the LORD is polluted;
And the fruit thereof, even His meat, is contemptible.

A son honour his father,
And a servant his master:
If then I be a FATHER, where is mine honour?
And if I be a MASTER, where is my fear?
Thus saith the LORD of hosts unto you,
O PRIESTS that despise MY NAME.
And ye say,
Wherein have we despised THY NAME?
Ye said also,
Behold what weariness is it!
And ye have snuffed at it, saith the LORD of hosts;
And ye brought that which was torn, and the lame, and the sick;
Thus ye brought an offering:
Should I accept this of your hand? saith the LORD.

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Ye offer polluted bread upon mine altar;
And ye say,
Wherein have we polluted thee?
In that ye say,
The table of the LORD is contemptible.
But cursed be the deceiver,
Which hath in his flock a male,
And vows,
And sacrifice unto the Lord a corrupt thing:
For I am a great KING,
Thus saith the LORD of hosts,
And **MY NAME is dreadful among the heathen.**

INTRODUCTION:

Malachi means: ministrative, Angel or Messenger, specifically of God, Prophet, Priest, Teacher, Deputy, Ambassador or King. He carries the burden (doom, song or prophecy) of the Word of the Lord to Israel. The Word of the Lord (God) is quick, powerful and sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to dividing asunder of soul and spirit, of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of thoughts and the intents of the heart, **Hebrews 4: 12.**

He wields the Word of the Lord (God) which is the Sword of the Spirit, **Ephesians 6: 17** and with every move the 'woo' or doom is sounded for the disobedient. The picture is somewhat portrayed as the Angel which is positioned at the eastern gate of the garden of Eden with the flaming Sword which turns every way, **Genesis 3: 24.** The Lord, The Lord (of Hosts) is Father, Master, Governor (Captain), Priest, King of not just the nation of Israel but of the masses, all nations upon the face of the earth including the heathen. Israel is portrayed as rebellious as Esau or Edom and as result is made desolate or a wilderness for the dragon while the fear of the Lord extends beyond its border to all other nations upon the earth.

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The fear of the Lord is clean enduring for ever, **Psalms 19: 9**.

THE WORD OF THE 'LORD': 'SELF EXISTENT AND ETERNAL ONE'

V1 The burden of the word of the LORD to Israel (rule as God) by Malachi (ministrative, angel, specifically of God, Prophet, Priest, Teacher, Deputy, King, Ambassador).

As with every wield through the air the sword 'woos' even so with every utterance of the Word of the Lord is the song, prophecy or doom pronounced on the disobedient. And yet there is One who goes by this appellation or **NAME: 'The Word of the Lord (God)'**. It is the messages given to Him by God which is carried by this His Messenger.

Every Master of this **Sword** must first prove to use it, even so, those who bear the Sword or the Word of the Lord must first be obedient (know it). Thus **Malachi**, the Messenger, Prophet, Priest or Teacher had to first obey the Word of the Lord before he could carry the burden of its messages, in song, in woe, in prophecy whether by teaching or ministry, **to Israel**, those whose name meant: they 'rule as God'. **Even so those who come in the Spirit and Power of Elijah will be thus exercised.**

The Word, of, the 'Lord': the **Self Existent** and **Eternal One** is as He himself, changing not. Therefore, it behoves us to heed them as the fear, regard, or love of the Lord is clean, enduring forever, **Psalms 19: 9**. We are sanctified by the Truth. God's Word is Truth, **John 17: 17**. His Word is the expressed thought of His mind and as a man thinks even so is he, **Proverbs 23: 7**. Hebrew translated name is pronounced 'shame,' which speaks to: an appellation as a mark of memorial or individuality by implication honour, authority and character. By its calling is His Presence summoned or invoked. Thus the composite of both ('Word of the Lord')

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speaks to His thoughts as it relates to His identity, honour, authority (power) and character.

This summarily is embodied In Jesus, who is the living or incarnate 'Word of God', **John 1: 1-3**. Hence by this appellation He came in the Name of His Father. Also by faith in the written Word of the Lord we have communion with God through Christ, the Living Word of God, and experience the fellowship of His Presence in the Spirit by partaking of this Bread from His Table.

V8 And if ye offer the blind for sacrifice, is it not evil? and if ye offer the lame and sick, is it not evil? offer it now unto thy governor (captain or prefect, deputy); will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person? saith the LORD (Self existent or Eternal) of hosts (mass of persons).

God is a Spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in truth, **John 4: 24**. We are told to give of our best to the Master. For the Eternal gives of His best to us: for God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, 'the **Word of God**', the perfect and unchanging will of God, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting or eternal life, **John 3: 16**. God sent not His Son into the World to condemn the World but that the World through Him might be saved. Only a perfect, sinless sacrifice could atone for the sins of the World. Thus only the expressed thoughts of His mind on His identity, honour, authority (power) and character as embodied in Jesus, **WORD OF THE LORD, OUR RIGTEOUSNESS**, could atone for our sins and the evil of our doing.

The offering of the blind, the lame and sick for sacrifice unto the Lord was a testimony or witness by the offeror of his and the imperfect Character of the Lamb of God who were to take away the sins of the World. Thus Israel was told in the Book of the Law that their sacrifices were to be without spot or wrinkle, only the perfect would or could be accepted as the symbol of the perfect sacrifice of

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God, the Lamb of God which takes away the sins of the world and which speaks also to the perfect character of His will and Law.

The rhetoric that **the Governor, Deputy or Captain** would not accept the blind, lame and sick as sacrifices underscore the point that if he would not neither would the **LORD (who is the Lord of Hosts or the masses of such and all persons), The CAPTAIN OF LORD'S HOSTS** who was seen with drawn sword, **Joshua 5: 13-15**, accept it for He gives of His best. What He does for us He expect the same of those who worship Him, so we are admonished by Paul: brethren, I beseech you by the mercies of God that you present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind that you may prove what is that good, acceptable the perfect will of God, **Romans 12: 1-2**.

THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT:

V2 I have loved you, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, wherein hast thou loved us? Was not Esau (rough sensibly felt) Jacob's (Supplanter, Heel Catcher) brother? saith the LORD: yet I loved Jacob,

Take with you the Sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God, **Ephesians 6: 17**. God is a Spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in Truth, **John 4: 23-24**. Think not that I have come to send peace but I have come to send a sword. **'The WORD OF THE LORD' OR THE NAME OF GOD IS A SWORD**. Those who are called by His Name are separated or 'cut' from those who are not. These are they who have taken on His Name by obedience to the Word of the Lord.

For I have come to set a man at variance against his father, and daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. And a man's foe shall be they of his own household, **Mathew 10: 34-36**. Thus Jacob and Esau of the same household, brothers of the same father, Isaac, were at variance or odds,

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or separated, and the Lord loved Jacob for he worshipped Him in Spirit and in Truth. The Words I speak are Spirit and they are life, **John 6: 63**.

Walk ye in the Spirit that ye might not fulfil the lust of the flesh, **Galations 5: 6**. God is love and they that love dwells in God and God in them, **1 John 4: 16**. God loves righteousness and hates evil. This is just His character as revealed by His Name.

V9 And now, I pray you, beseech God that he will be gracious unto us: this hath been by your means: will he regard your persons? saith the LORD of hosts.

The **Lord**, the God of love, is also gracious but the impure in heart cannot by his means invoke His grace. He will not accept nor regard their persons. And God is no respecter of persons, but in any nation, he that fears God and works righteousness is accepted by Him, **Acts 10: 35**.

So, therefore, present your bodies, firstly, as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable, for this is your reasonable service, that you might give of your best to the Master, **the Lord of Hosts**, is His Name. Remember, he that turns away his ears from hearing the Law even his prayer shall be considered an abomination, **Proverbs 28: 9**. Many take the Lord's Name in vain by not giving honour to His Name by being obedient to His will as revealed in the Word of the Lord. You cannot take the Lord thy God's Name in vain and then call upon His Name to be heard. The Lord will not hear, as you are 'cut off' by same 'Word' which is the Sword of the Spirit, therefore, offer up only the sacrifices that is well pleasing unto the Lord as prescribed by the Law. For thy Law is Truth, **Psalms 119: 142**.

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'THE SEED':

V3 And I hated Esau (including his descendants), and laid his mountains and his heritage (something inherited, patrimony or portion, possession, inheritance) waste (desolate) for the dragons of the wilderness.

And I will put enmity between thee and the Woman, between thy seed and her seed. It shall bruise thy head and thou shall bruise his heel, **Genesis 3: 15**. He that fears the Lord, eschews or hates evil, **Job 1:8 and 2: 3**. As the seed is to the tree so is the **Word of God** in the generation of the righteous. Thy Word have I hid in my heart so that I might not sin against Thee, **Psalms 119: 11**. Those who sow the seed of the Word of the Lord (God) in their hearts become trees of righteousness, **Isaiah 61: 3**.

Thus the Lord is in the generation of the righteous, **Psalms 14: 5**. Then were they in great fear for the Lord is in the congregation of the righteous, **Psalms 1: 5**. The generation of the righteous becomes the bearers of the godly seed.

Those who come in the Power and Spirit of Elijah are sowers of the seed of the Word of the Lord (God), **Luke 8: 5**.

The word of the dragon is quite the opposite of the Word of the Lord. The Lord knows the way of the righteous, therefore the way of the ungodly shall perish, **Psalms 1: 6**. The word of the dragon equates with the way of the ungodly and the Word of the Lord equates with the way of the righteous. Those who walk in the way of righteousness are called by the Name of the Lord.

Therefore, given the Lord is only present in the generation of the righteous, by default, the ungodly, by His absence, becomes desolate and perishes even as it is said that the Lord hates or have enmity towards Esau and his seed, descendants or generation and laid his mountain and heritage desolate.

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Esau by name and nature was rough and bruise every good thing. Even at his birth he was red covered all over like a hairy garment as the red dragon, **Genesis 25: 25 and Revelation 12: 3**, unto whom his mountain and heritage were given. He had no pretence as the lamb like beast who spake as the Dragon, **Revelation 13:11**, in the time of the First-fruits of the End of Earth's Harvest.

The Word of the Lord (God), His Presence, is as the seed in the generation of the righteous. And these will have His Law written upon their hearts, **Jeremiah 31:31-34**.

V10 Who is there even among you that would shut the doors for nought? neither do ye kindle fire on mine altar for nought. I have no pleasure in you, saith the LORD of hosts, neither will I accept an offering at your hand

The Lord doesn't expect any in the generation of the righteous to shut a door of His House for nought, for the Lord doesn't require any to work for nought, for the Spirit of equity dictates that the workman is worthy of His hire or meat, **Matthew 10: 10**, yet He expects that all will honour and requite Him according to His due and His custom.

So it is recorded give unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and unto God the things that are God's, **Luke 20: 25**. Those who seek to honour God in contradiction to his custom and traditions as outlined in the Law their offerings He will not accept at their hand. None of His 'seed' will give nought or that which is unworthy as an Offering unto the Lord of Hosts but instead they offer their very lives unto him as a living sacrifice for they follow the Lamb wither soever He goes, **Revelations 14: 4**.

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'OUT':

V4 Whereas Edom (red, ruddy) saith, we are impoverished (demolish), but we will return (go out) and build the desolate places; thus saith the LORD of hosts, they shall build, but I will throw down; and they shall call (call out) them, the border of wickedness, and, the people against whom the LORD hath indignation for ever.

'Out' of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks, **Matthew 12: 34**. The Word of the Lord is as a seed sown in the fertile soil of the heart. It shoots forth 'out' of the mouth and in the actions as a Tree 'out' of the soil which in its season bears fruits, **Psalms 1: 3**. For the heart to be fertile it must be broken and contrite, so that he who goes out or 'return' sorrowfully bearing precious seeds shall doubtless return again bringing in the sheaves, **Psalms 126: 6**. Remember, faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God, **Romans 10: 17**. Thus the Word of the Lord is sowed as the seed that will shoot 'out'. And these are the sacrifices of God a broken spirit and a contrite heart, thou will not despise, **Psalms 34:18 and Psalms 51: 17**. Thus the heart becomes fertile to receive the seed of the Word of God. Without this foundation none can build.

'Israel' by walking in the way of the ungodly had become and is now called 'Edom,' the red descendants. In that they saith or call 'out': we shall return or go 'out' and build the desolate or waste places given to the dragons. They thought to do so without repentance, this is the 'word' or will of the dragon. Therefore, the pronouncement is made by **the Lord of Hosts who** saith, or called 'out': 'They shall build but I will throw down.' And His servants will utter or call 'out': 'this is the border of wickedness the people against whom the Lord had indignation forever.' Remember, except the Lord keep the city the watchman wakes but in vain and except the Lord builds the house the labour does so in vain, **Psalms 127: 1**.

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We can only build the houses of our lives by **the Word of the Lord**, by repenting for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand, this is the message of the Messengers of our time.

V11 For from the rising (out of the east) of the sun even unto the going down (go out in the west) of the same MY NAME shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered unto MY NAME, and a pure offering: for MY NAME shall be great (high, mighty) among the heathen (sense of massing, a foreign nation), saith the LORD of hosts.

Not all Israel is Israel, **Romans 9: 6**, as separated by the Sword of the Spirit, the Word of the Lord. Those who are born after the flesh are now called Edom, and the Gentiles or Heathens, who have not the Law but do the things that are contained in the Law are a law unto themselves whose circumcision is not in the letter but in the Spirit, **Romans 2: 14 and 2: 28 & 29**. Daily or continually from the Sun goes 'out' of the eastern chamber until it goes 'out' in the western chamber the Name of the Lord of Hosts is honoured and praised and a pure offering for His Name is given by the Gentiles and Heathen in every place upon the earth.

For the Gentiles and the Heathen followed on to the know the Lord and now know that His going forth is as prepared as the morning (the Bridegroom going out of His Chamber, **Psalms 19: 5**) and He comes upon them as the former and latter rain comes upon the earth, **Hosea 6: 3**. Thus the 'fall crop' at the end of the Earth's Harvest is sealed for the exodus.

'THE FRUIT':

V5 And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say, The LORD will be magnified (to be large in estate or honour) from the border (territory, boundary inclosed) of Israel.

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By their fruits shall ye know them; an evil tree cannot bring forth good fruits neither can a good tree bring forth evil fruits, **Matthew 7: 16-20**. Their actions speak louder than their words and the destruction of their City, the fruit of the Word of the Lord, speaks volume such that the Servants of God proclaim: 'The Lord will be magnified from the border of Israel,' and even I say unto the ends of the earth.

V12 But ye have profaned it, in that ye say, The table of the LORD is polluted; and the fruit thereof, even his meat, is contemptible.

But those who are disobedient, who are not joined unto the Lord, have profaned it and say: the Table of the Lord is polluted and the fruit thereof, even His meat is contemptible. But who is that wise and faithful servant who the Lord has appointed to give meat unto His house in due season blessed is that servant whom the Lord when He comes shall find so doing, **Matthew 24: 45-46**. This fruit as meat shall be given by the Messenger of the Lord of Hosts right up to the end of time to those of the Lord's House. They can testify, like David, Thou prepare a Table before me in the presence of mine enemies, **Psalms 23: 5**.

'REWARD':

V6 A son honours his father and a servant his master: if then I be a father, where is mine honour? and if I be a master, where is my fear? saith the LORD of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise my name. And ye say, wherein have we despised thy name?

Children are the heritage of the Lord and the fruit of the womb is His reward, **Psalms 127: 3**. For the son honours makes numerous or rich his father and a servant reveres his master. But the former priests of Israel despise or cause contempt to the **Name of the Lord of Hosts**. Then they ask the rhetoric: wherein have we despised Thy Name? suggesting that what they have done is the truth,

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disesteeming the Name of the Lord and in so doing esteeming their father the devil or dragon. But the Messengers of the Lord of Hosts, as sons, servants and priests will bring and give honour, fear and esteem or praise to the Name of the Lord.

This of course first begun with **the Word of the Lord** that was sown in the fertile soil of the heart, yea, more are they to be desired than gold, sweeter than the honey and the honeycomb. More over by them are your Servants warned and in the keeping of them is great reward, **Psalms 19: 10-11**. We receive the reward from **the Lord of Hosts**, that, which we have become in honouring, fearing and praising His Name being fully settled in His Truth.

V13 Ye said also, Behold, what weariness (distress, travail, trouble) is it! and ye have snuffed at it, saith the LORD of hosts; and ye brought that which was torn, and the lame, and the sick; thus ye brought an offering: should I accept this of your hand? saith the LORD.

Imagine being the cause and then making the observation of this state of affairs as 'what weariness or trouble' and not recognizing your hand in the whole matter as the one who have despised or snuffed at the things of God. This was God's judgement upon the false prophets. Similarly, in the end of time they will ascribe blame to true Prophets of God and not acknowledging their hand in the calamity which they face in the end time plagues. But in the mouth of these, God's Prophets, were found no guile or deceit, therefore, they are before the throne of God, **Revelations 14: 5**.

The true Prophets of God unlike them who carried the torn, the lame and sick, honours the Lord with the first fruits of their increase, so are their barns filled with plenty and the presses burst forth with new wine, **Psalms 3: 9-10**. What they offer to the Lord is a testimony of what they are: these are the first fruits of those who are harvest from the earth, **Revelation 14: 4**.

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'THE OFFERING':

V7 Ye offer polluted bread upon mine altar; and ye say, wherein have we polluted thee? In that ye say, the table of the LORD is contemptible.

Jesus says, I am the Living Bread that is come down from Heaven if any man eat of this bread he shall live forever and the bread that I shall give His my flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world, **John 6: 51**. Except ye eat of the flesh of the Son of man and drink of his blood ye have no life in you, **John 6: 53**. Jesus as the Word of the Lord (God) is Bread for the soul of mankind. He gave or offered this pure Bread for the life of the World. Those who partake or consume by faith the Word of God, this Bread, lives forever and becomes as He, the living bread: we become what we eat.

We are counselled to purge out the old leaven that we might be a new lump, as ye are unleavened (without sin). For even Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us: therefore, let us keep the feast not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Thus Christ has prepared before us a Table in the presence of our enemy upon which is offered the Bread of Life.

The vertical recount reveals the progress of the development of the sons of God, those who like Him bears the Name of His (the Lamb's) Father in their foreheads, **Revelation 14: 1**:

- 1 It began when they received the song, prophecy or doom of the **Word of the Self-existent and Eternal one** which is for 'Israel' those who are to rule as God or the tribes of the **144K, Revelation 7: 4, 5-8, 9-17, and the great multitude**.
- 2 The Word is as '**the Sword of the Spirit**' that separates or 'cut off' even brothers as Jacob and Esau. Jacob or 'Israel' have I loved. The

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Lord is nigh him who are of a broken spirit and save such that be of a contrite heart, **Psalms 34: 18.**

- 3 The Word bears the identity, honour, authority and character 'dna' trait and is as the 'Seed' in the generation of the righteous. The same is true of 'the word of the dragon' in Esau and his descendants. Hence **Esau have I hated and his mountains and heritage are laid waste for the dragons.**
- 4 The Word bears fruit in the lives of all those who '**believe**' and confesses and repent of their sins as he who 'goes out' sorrowfully bearing precious seeds shall doubtless 'return' bringing in the sheaves. The converse is true in the lives of those who have apostatized and are called: 'Edom' who of themselves seek to 'return' or 'go out' but not confessing nor forsaking their sins the word of the dragon will bear the fruit of a continuous desolations for as they seek to build the Lord throws down or destroys. Thus they shall be known by their fruit and will be called: the border of wickedness and **the people against whom the Lord had indignation forever** which means they are lost.
- 5 The '**fruits**' are seen as the **Lord is magnified from the border of Israel** to the all the earth as all nations beyond turn to Him in contrition.
- 6 As man was made in the image of God after his likeness on the sixth day bearing His seal or mark even so a Son honours his Father and Servant fears his Master. God has made the fruit of the womb to possess this '**reward**' and even so those who are sealed in end of time: moreover by them is your servants warned and in keeping of them is great 'reward,' **Psalms 127: 3 and Psalms 19: 11.** This state results only from obedience to the Word of the Lord. Only those who honours and fears God will have their righteousness going before them and the Glory of the Lord as their rereward, **Isaiah 58: 8.** Thus

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the process commenced with the 'Word of God', the 'Sword of the Spirit', which is the 'Seed' in the generation of the righteous, and the basis of their faith, that which 'Goes Out', bearing 'Fruits' in their lives and all the earth, bringing the 'Reward' as the Son honours the Father and the Servant fears his Master, and the offering of pure or unleavened bread of truth and sincerity.

V14 But cursed be the deceiver, which hath in his flock a male, and vows, and sacrifices unto the Lord a corrupt thing: for I am a great King, saith the LORD of hosts, and my name is dreadful (fear, morally revere) among the heathen.

Jesus said the words I speak are Spirit and they are life, **John 6: 63**. My flesh is meat indeed and my blood is drink. He that eats my flesh and drinks my blood dwells in me and I in him, **John 6: 55-56**. The Lord provides for us that which we need to give as offering. He says: he that comes to me shall never hunger, and he that believes on me shall never thirst, **John 6: 35**. If any man thirst let him come unto me and drink. He that believes on me as the Scriptures had said out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water, **John 7: 37-38**.

The Law specifically prescribe that the **Passover Lamb** should be a male of the flock that is perfect without blemish (The offering being a male spoke to His gender. As man was not only made in His image but also likeness, having the same gender as God.), viz.: pure, as this only typifies the gender and the perfect sacrifice which God would give and accept as an offering for sins, **Exodus 12; 5-6**. This was the symbol in the Law for the Lamb of God, the great, high or lofty King, the Lord of Hosts, which takes away the sins of the world. He does so by His pure, perfect, sinless life, and his atoning sacrificial death, which is substitutionary for all who have sinned. By this means He is able to forgive and cleanse from sins all those who repent in confession and the forsaking of sins. He forgives and feeds them with the merits of His sacrifice by His indwelling Presence with the gift of the Holy Ghost, who empowers the believer to present his body as a living

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sacrifice holy and acceptable unto God which is our reasonable service, **Romans 12: 1-3.**

The dragon is the enemy or deceiver who seeks to misrepresent not only the messages in the symbols so as to smokescreen the antitype but to deceive us into thinking that we can not live without sinning. If the antitype, Yeshua, called Jesus, the Christ is not correctly portrayed as the pure and perfect Lamb of God which takes away the sins of the world then the sinner in need of a Saviour will not be able to identify Him and come to Him for salvation. Also, if it is not understood that He is holy and righteous without sins, then the sinner, will see no need to be cleansed thoroughly of his sins, neither can His death be the atonement and the substitution for all who have sinned. The offering of His Son, a sinless gift by God is what is needed for us to become the living sacrifice. For, if He who calls us is Holy, we also ought to be holy.

Thus we have the feast of the Living (unleavened) Bread which follows the Passover Offering, together these two typifies the Feast of Salvation. Firstly, the Passover Lamb is sacrificed as the means of atonement: to forgive and cleanse from sins, and then those who accept its merits join in the feast of unleavened bread. We become what we eat or partake of, thus we become as the offering of (unleavened) living or pure bread and a living sacrifice unto God even as Christ who is the author and finisher of our faith.

The vertical recount identifies His being, nature and character as Spirit, lastly not corrupt but 'pure':

- 8 Firstly, the 'goodness' of the Lord is what is typified in the Law by the sacrifices that are not 'blind,' not 'lame' nor 'sick' for He sees: the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous and His ears are open unto their prayers, **1 Peter 3: 12**; He walks uprightly, being **righteous**, unaided, for

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- He exists by himself and is healthy or **mighty**. Those who offer the 'blind', the 'lame' and 'sick' speaks evil of the character or Name of the Lord.
- 9 Secondly, God is '**gracious**' but only those who beseech or pray to Him by the means of the prescribed offering will invoke His favour. For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous and His ears are opened unto their prayers, **1 Peter 3: 12**.
- 10 Thirdly, the '**kindness**' of God is of such that He doesn't expects any to close the door of His House for nothing nor to kindle a fire upon His altar for nought yet there were some among His people who were so mean or unkind in what they offered which incurred His sore displeasure.
- 11 Kaleidoscope splendour colours the eastern skies as the Sun as the Heavenly Bridegroom rises and 'goes out' of His Chamber, the same is repeated as it 'goes out' going down in the western Chamber. From its rise, in the morning, until the evening, a blaze of '**Glory**' lights the Sanctuary. This is how nature typifies the '**Name of the Lord**' and those who are supposedly called 'gentiles' will offer incense, a sacrifice of fragrance by fire with a cloud of smoke that shrouds His 'Shekinah' and a '**Pure**' or '**Holy**' offering for them His Name is '**Great,**' '**Mighty**' or '**Lofty**'. They worship the Creator not the creature; these are they who will be called those who called on the Name of the Lord, **Genesis 4: 26**. And it shall be great or mighty among them.
- 12 Those who take the Lord our God's Name in vain are those who 'profane,' 'pollute' and make 'contemptible' the Table of the Lord and its meat or fruit. But to them that fear the Lord, we say: O Lord, Our Lord how '**excellent**' is thy Name in all the earth, **Psalms 8: 9**.
- 13 They also speak of the things of the Lord as 'what trouble' and 'snuff at' or disesteem them but blessed is the Man whose '**delight**' is in the Law of the Lord, he shall be like a tree that is planted by the rivers of water that shall bring forth his fruit in his season, neither shall his leaf wither and anything he sets his hand to shall prosper, **Psalms 1: 2-3**. Therefore, they will not bring an offering that is 'torn', 'lame' or 'sick' they delight to please the Lord. He shall delight in them.

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SONG 2

And now, O ye **PRIESTS**, this **commandment** is for you.

But ye are departed out of the way;

Ye have caused many to stumble at **the law**;

Ye have corrupted **the covenant of Levi**,

Thus saith the LORD of hosts.

And did not he make one?

Yet had he the residue of the spirit.

And wherefore one?

That he might seek a godly seed.

Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth.

If ye will not hear,

And if ye will not lay it to heart,

To give glory unto my name,

Thus saith the LORD of hosts,

I will even send a curse upon you,

And I will curse your blessings:

Yea, I have cursed them already,

Because ye do not lay it to heart.

Therefore have I also made you contemptible

And base before all the people,

according as ye have not kept **my ways**,

But have been partial in **the law**.

For the LORD, the God of Israel,

saith that he hateth putting away:

For one covereth violence with his garment,

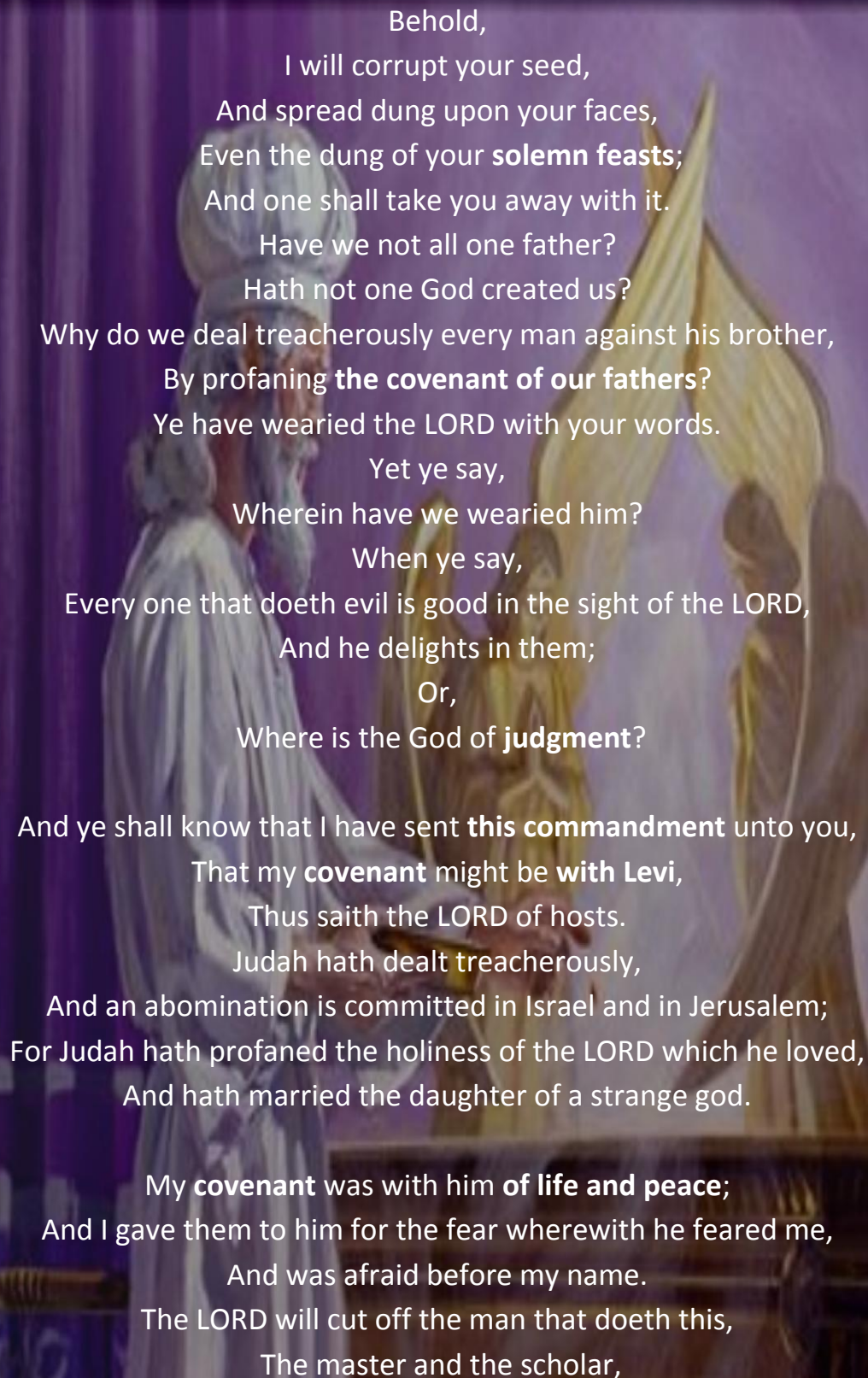
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Therefore take heed to your spirit,

that ye deal not treacherously.

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Behold,
I will corrupt your seed,
And spread dung upon your faces,
Even the dung of your **solemn feasts**;
And one shall take you away with it.
Have we not all one father?
Hath not one God created us?
Why do we deal treacherously every man against his brother,
By profaning **the covenant of our fathers**?
Ye have wearied the LORD with your words.
Yet ye say,
Wherein have we wearied him?
When ye say,
Every one that doeth evil is good in the sight of the LORD,
And he delights in them;
Or,
Where is the God of **judgment**?
And ye shall know that I have sent **this commandment** unto you,
That my **covenant** might be **with Levi**,
Thus saith the LORD of hosts.
Judah hath dealt treacherously,
And an abomination is committed in Israel and in Jerusalem;
For Judah hath profaned the holiness of the LORD which he loved,
And hath married the daughter of a strange god.
My **covenant** was with him **of life and peace**;
And I gave them to him for the fear wherewith he feared me,
And was afraid before my name.
The LORD will cut off the man that doeth this,
The master and the scholar,

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And him that offers an offering unto the LORD of hosts.

The law of truth was in his mouth,
And iniquity was not found in his lips:
He walked with me in peace and equity,
And did turn many away from iniquity.

And this have ye done again,
Covering the altar of the LORD with tears,
With weeping,
And with crying out,
Insomuch that he regards not the offering any more,
Or receives it with good will at your hand.

For the priest's lips should keep knowledge,
And they should seek the law at his mouth:
For he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts.

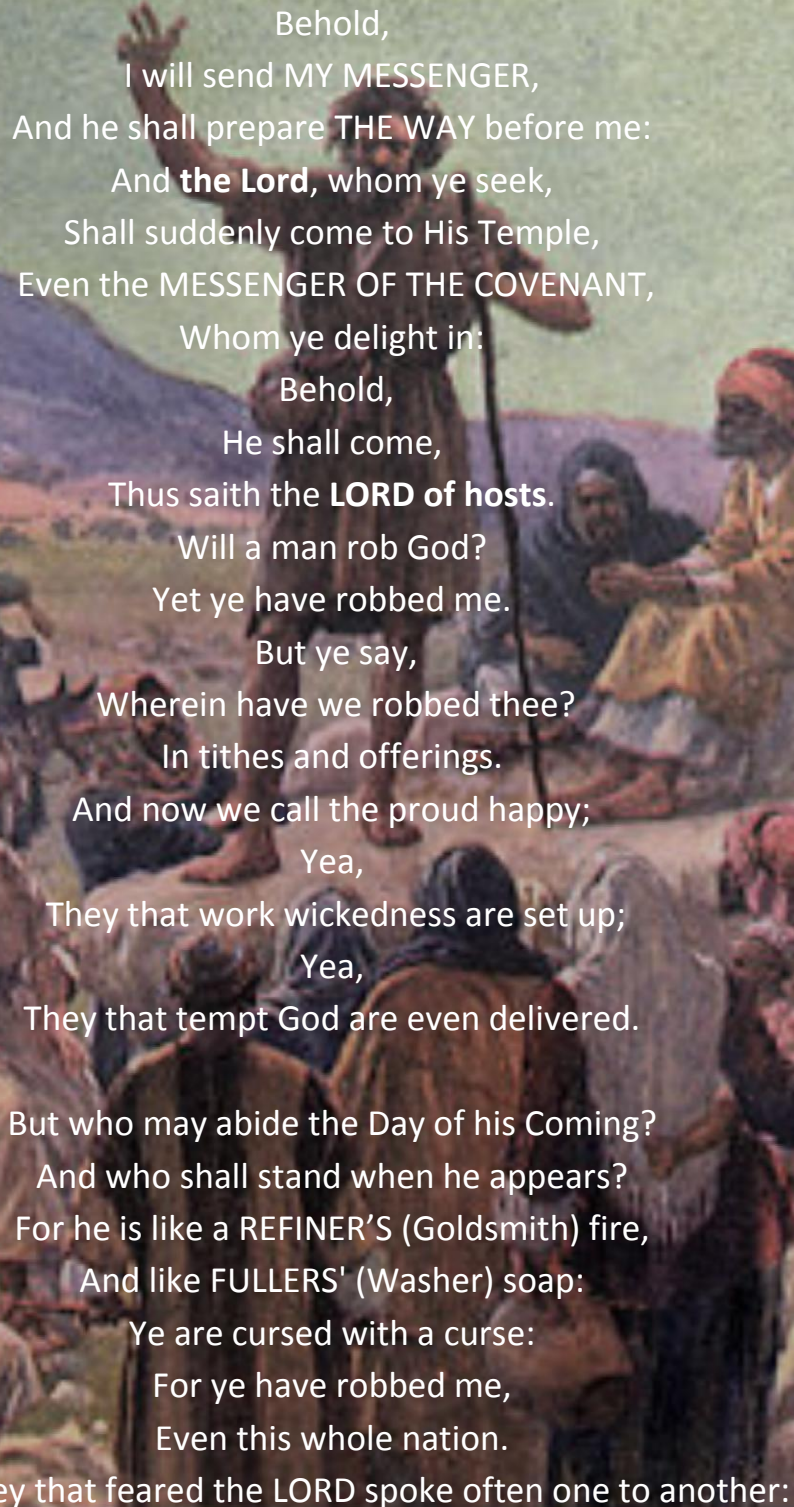
Yet ye say,
Wherefore?

Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth,
Against whom thou hast dealt treacherously:

Yet is she thy companion,
and the wife of thy covenant.

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THE MESSENGER PREPARES THE WAY BEFORE THE
MESSENGER OF THE COVENANT WHO MAKES UP HIS JEWELS

SONG 3



Behold,
I will send MY MESSENGER,
And he shall prepare THE WAY before me:
And the Lord, whom ye seek,
Shall suddenly come to His Temple,
Even the MESSENGER OF THE COVENANT,
Whom ye delight in:
Behold,
He shall come,
Thus saith the LORD of hosts.
Will a man rob God?
Yet ye have robbed me.
But ye say,
Wherein have we robbed thee?
In tithes and offerings.
And now we call the proud happy;
Yea,
They that work wickedness are set up;
Yea,
They that tempt God are even delivered.
But who may abide the Day of his Coming?
And who shall stand when he appears?
For he is like a REFINER'S (Goldsmith) fire,
And like FULLERS' (Washer) soap:
Ye are cursed with a curse:
For ye have robbed me,
Even this whole nation.
Then they that feared the LORD spoke often one to another:

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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 he shall sit as a REFINER and PURIFIER of silver:
And he shall purify the sons of Levi,
And purge them as gold and silver,
That they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.
Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse,
That there may be meat in mine house,
And prove me now herewith,
Thus saith the LORD of hosts,
If I will not open you the windows of heaven,
And pour you out a blessing,
That there shall not be room enough to receive it.
And they shall be mine,
Thus saith the LORD of hosts,
In that day when I make up my jewels;
And I will spare them,
As a man spares his own son that serves him.
Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the LORD,
As in the days of old,
And as in former years.
And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes,
And he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground;
Neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field,
Thus saith the LORD of hosts.
Then shall ye return,
And discern (see) between the righteous and the wicked,
Between him that serves God and him that serves him not.

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And I will come near to you to judgment;
And I will be a SWIFT WITNESS against the sorcerers,
And against the adulterers,
And against false swearers,
And against those that oppress the hireling in his wages,
The widow,
And the fatherless,
And that turn aside the stranger from his right,
And fear not me,
THUS saith the LORD of hosts.
And all nations shall call you blessed:
For ye shall be a delightsome land,
Thus saith the LORD of hosts.

For I am the LORD,
I change not;
Therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.
Your words have been stout against me,
Thus saith the LORD.
Yet ye say,
What have we spoken so much against thee?

Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances,
And have not kept them.

Return unto me,
And I will return unto you,
Thus saith the LORD of hosts.

But ye said,
Wherein shall we return?

Ye have said, It is vain to serve God:
And what profit is it that we have kept his ordinance,
And that we have walked mournfully before the LORD of hosts?

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ELIJAH SENT BEFORE THE SUN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS GOES OUT
OF THE EAST

SONG 4

For,
Behold,
The day cometh,
That shall burn as an oven;
And all the proud,
Yea,
And all that do wickedly,
Shall be stubble:
And the day that cometh shall burn them up,
Thus saith the LORD of hosts,
That it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

But unto you that fear my name shall the SUN of righteousness arise with healing in
his wings;
And ye shall go forth (out), and grow up as calves of the stall.

And ye shall tread down the wicked;
For they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, Thus
saith the LORD of hosts.

Remember ye the law of Moses my servant,
Which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel,
With the statutes and judgments.

Behold,
I will send (send out) you ELIJAH the prophet before the coming of the great and
dreadful day of the LORD:

And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children,
And the heart of the children to their fathers,
Lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

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SONG 2

And now,

O ye **PRIESTS**,

This **commandment** is for you.

But ye are departed out of the way;

Ye have caused many to stumble at **the law**;

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Thus saith the LORD of hosts.

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That he might seek a godly seed.

Therefore take heed to your **spirit**,

And let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth.

If ye will not hear,

And if ye will not lay it to heart,

To give glory unto **my name**,

Thus saith the LORD of hosts,

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that ye deal not treacherously.

Behold,
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And spread dung upon your faces,
Even the dung of your **solemn feasts**;
And one shall take you away with it.
Have we not all one father?
Hath not one God created us?
Why do we deal treacherously every man against his brother,
By profaning **the covenant of our fathers**?
Ye have wearied the LORD with your words.

Yet ye say,
Wherein have we wearied him?
When ye say,
Every one that doeth evil is good in the sight of the LORD,
And he delights in them;
Or,
Where is the God of **judgment**?

And ye shall know that I have sent **this commandment** unto you,
That my **covenant** might be **with Levi**,
Thus saith the LORD of hosts.
Judah hath dealt treacherously,
And an abomination is committed in Israel and in Jerusalem;
For Judah hath profaned the holiness of the LORD which he loved,
And hath married the daughter of a strange god.

My **covenant** was with him **of life and peace**;
And I gave them to him for the fear wherewith he feared me,
And was afraid before my name.



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The LORD will cut off the man that doeth this,
The master and the scholar,
Out of the tabernacles of Jacob,
And him that offers an offering unto the LORD of hosts.

The law of truth was in his mouth,
And iniquity was not found in his lips:
He walked with me in peace and equity,
And did turn many away from iniquity.
And this have ye done again,
Covering the altar of the LORD with tears,
With weeping,
And with crying out,
Insomuch that he regards not the offering any more,
Or receives it with good will at your hand.

For the priest's lips should keep knowledge,
And they should seek **the law** at his mouth:
For he is the **messenger** of the LORD of hosts.

Yet ye say,
Wherefore?

Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth,
Against whom thou hast dealt treacherously:
Yet is she thy companion,
and the wife of **thy covenant**.

INTRODUCTION:

In the first Chapter of Malachi the burden of **the Word of the Lord** was addressed **to Israel**, now in this **second Chapter**, **this commandment is for the Priests**. The Priests were only chosen from the Tribe of Levi, Aaron's sons, who were served only by the other members of that Tribe (Levi). The Lord had taken them as His

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own and they had no part nor lot in the inheritance of the rest of Israel, **Deuteronomy 10: 9 and Deuteronomy 18: 1**, they kept the charge of the Sanctuary and its Services. **Numbers 3: 6 – 51**, outlines the Covenant that the Lord had with the tribe of Levi, their role and functions in the Priesthood. The Covenant of Levi, therefore refers to that role they performed as Priests of God and of His Holy Sanctuary.

God is a Spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in truth, **John 4: 24**. The Words spoken by Jesus are Spirit and they are life, **John 6: 63**. The Law His spiritual but we are carnal sold under sin, **Romans 7:14**. But the Law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus has made us free from the Law of sin and death, **Romans 8: 2**. For what the Law could not do in that it was weak in the flesh God sending His son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin condemn sin in the flesh that the righteousness of the Law might be fulfilled in us who walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit, **Romans 8:3-4**. For without the shedding of blood there can be no remission of sins, **Hebrews 9: 22**. So Christ by His death atoned and condemned sins in the flesh.

Sin is the transgression of the Law, **1 John 3: 4**. We are counselled to walk in the Spirit and we shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh, **Galations 5: 16**. Those who follow after the Spirit mind the things of the Spirit and those who follow after the flesh mind the things of the flesh, **Romans 8: 5** Walk (live) in the Spirit and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

In **this Chapter** we shall look at the Ways and Thoughts of God (Spirit) as given to the Priests of God collectively in the Law of God (TORAH) and summarized in the Chapter by the following reference titles: COMMANDMENT, LAW, THE COVENANT OF LEVI, THE COVENANT OF THE FATHERS, THE MARRIAGE COVENANT, COVENANT OF LIFE AND PEACE, THE LAW OF TRUTH IN HIS LIPS, AND THE COVENANT OF GALEED OR JEGARSAHADUTHA.

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The substance of **The Torah, Torah or the Law of God** is still in effect today. For, as was disclosed in the previous Chapter the **Word of the Lord as He is changes not**. And those who are called of God are called to be like Israel: a chosen generation, a holy nation, a peculiar people, a royal priesthood, to show forth the praises of Him who has called us out of darkness into this marvellous Light wherein which we stand, **1 Peter 2: 9**. The Marvellous Light in which we stand speaks of: God, who is Light and in Him there is no darkness at all, **1 John 1: 5**; and the Law and Testimony which, if they speak not accordingly, there is no Light in them, **Isaiah 8: 20**.

So understand this My Ways are not your ways, neither are My Thoughts your thoughts. For as the Heavens are above the Earth so are MY WAYS AND MY THOUGHTS above yours. And as the rain and the snow comes down from heaven and returns not thither and waters the earth and cause it to bud and bring forth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eater even so shall MY WORDS which goes out of MY MOUTH it shall not return unto me void but it shall accomplish that which I please and it shall prosper in the thing I have sent it, **Isaiah 55: 8-11**.

So in the previous chapter this process of the Word, the Sword of the Spirit, which is as Seed in the generation of the righteous, who obeys and 'goes out' or return sorrowfully, in repentance, with these precious seed of the Word, will return again rejoicing bringing in the 'sheaves' or fruit, this of course is the honour and godly fear that they bestow and serve our Father in Heaven as a son is the reward of his father. So we become as a living offering of pure or unleavened bread to our Master and our God.

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THE WAY OF THE LORD: 'THE LAW OF THE LORD'

V1 And now, O ye priests, this commandment is for you.

Now it is time for the 'Priests,' the Officiating Ministers of the Sanctuary whose role is to keep the charge, the statutes, the commandments and judgements of the Lord, this **command of God** collectively in **the Law of God** is borne by a Messenger and addressed to them. By this they are reminded of their function which was covenanted with them by God.

V8 But ye are departed out of the way; ye have caused many to stumble at the law; ye have corrupted the covenant of Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.

But many had turned out of the way as many turned their ears from hearing the Law, **Proverbs 28: 9**. In their disobedience they caused many to stumble or become disobedient or transgressors of the Law. By so doing they perverted 'the way' and corrupted the Covenant of Levi which was to keep the charges, the statutes, the commandments and the judgements of the Lord. The Law was the 'Spirit of Life' for the Covenant of Levi. This was the pronouncement of the Lord of Hosts.

V15 And did not he make one? Yet had he the residue of the spirit. And wherefore one? That he might seek a godly seed. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth.

The Covenant of Levi was substantially, a marriage of this Tribe to the Law of the Lord in the Priesthood. Thus they were to become obedient or one with God by obedience to His Law. Nonetheless, though they had departed out of 'the way' yet there remained 'a residue of the Spirit': enough of the Law, of its charge, statutes, commands and judgement remained to revive them. God had purposed by this union to produce a 'godly seed' and that Seed was not only Christ, but all

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those who are Christ's then are we Abraham's seed and heirs according to the promise, **Galations 3: 29**.

The Priests or Ministers are therefore counselled to take heed to their 'Spirit' which is 'the Law' that none of them deal deceitfully or treacherously with 'the wife of his youth' which is the Priesthood.

The Messengers of the Lord therefore will walk in the 'way of the Lord' or 'the Law of the Lord' and will be as the voice crying in the wilderness saying: prepare ye 'the way' of the Lord make His paths straight, **Matthew 3: 3**. The Lord hath magnified His Word above His Name, **Psalms 138: 2**. Those who obey His Law also give glory to His Name as His words are above His Name.

HEAR AND LAY IT TO HEART: 'BECOME ONE IN THE LORD' RECEIVE THE SPIRIT OF THE PRIESTHOOD

V2 If ye will not hear, and if ye will not lay it to heart, to give glory unto my name, saith the LORD of hosts, I will even send a curse upon you, and I will curse your blessings: yea, I have cursed them already, because ye do not lay it to heart.

The Law is spiritual, **Romans 7: 14**. And God is a Spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in Truth. Thy Law is Truth, **Psalms 119: 142**. Sanctify them through thy truth, thy word is Truth, **John 17: 17**. The Law of the Lord is perfect converting the soul, **Psalms 19: 7**. The Law is as the Spirit which is the voice that is heard over the shoulders saying this is 'the way' walk ye in it, **Isaiah 30: 21**. Remember, as the Word spoken by Jesus is Spirit and they are life, **John 6: 63**, even so the Law is Spirit and Life. We must therefore take heed to what it says and rehearse and meditate upon it: but his delight is in the Law of God and in it he meditates day and night. He shall be like a tree that is planted by the rivers of water that shall bring forth his fruit in his season, **Psalms 1: 3**.

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This is the only appropriate response to 'the way of the Lord' or the Law of the Lord, which is 'the Spirit or life of the Priesthood', as by beholding so are we changed, **2 Corinthians 3: 18**.

For narrow is the way and straight is the path that leads to eternal life and few be that find it. But broad is the way and wide is the path that leads to destruction and many be that enter therein, **Matthew 7: 13**. If we do not lay it to heart our blessings will be cursed as whosoever turns away his ears from hearing the Law even his prayers shall be an abomination, **Proverbs 28: 9**. Yea, the Law cuts, in reproof of sins, of righteousness and of judgement but it also heals, pointing to the Saviour who died for our sins, leading to mercy and peace. The Law wholly caters to our every need to be whole. Therefore, hear and lay it to heart that it might be well with thee. If God's word or Law is magnified above His name if we hear and lay to heart His Law we will give glory to his Name and cause. The Lord is glorified when we obey His Law.

V9 Therefore have I also made you contemptible and base before all the people, according as ye have not kept my ways, but have been partial in the law.

God is no respecter of persons but in any nation he that fears Him and works righteousness is accepted of Him, **Acts 10: 34-35**. The way of the Lord as outlined in His Law is for our honour and glory we are nothing but contemptible and dishonourable being laden with sins and base before all people when have not kept his ways or have become partial in the execution of His Law. Obedience is therefore not only golden and to the glory of God but to our honour and glory as Sons of God. God will honour his children that we increase in favour and stature with all people when we are obedient to and not partial in the Law.

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V16 For the LORD, the God of Israel, saith that he hateth putting away: for one covereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts: therefore take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not treacherously.

The Self-existent and Eternal, the God of Israel, says that he hates divorce or 'putting away' for one hides his transgression with his garment of deceit, therefore, we are counselled to take heed and hear our 'Spirit' of the Priesthood or 'the way' of the Lord or His Law. If we deal deceitfully as Priest's we have divorced ourselves from the Lord.

We need not do anything to be deceitful we were born that way, for the heart is deceitful and desperately wicked above all things who can know it, **Jeremiah 17: 9**. That's why the only way is for us to be born again, born of the water and of the Spirit, **John 3: 5**. This necessarily involves the Law or Words of God being hid in our heart that we might not sin against God, **Psalms 119: 11**, being one with Him in Spirit. Remember, and this book of the Law shall depart out of thy mouth, but thou shall meditate in it day and night, for then shall thou make thy way prosperous and then shall thou have good success, **Joshua 1: 8**.

The Messengers of God having heard the voice over their shoulders saying this is 'the way' walk ye in it lay it first to their own heart and now proclaim it for all to hear. Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord, **Deuteronomy 6: 4**, one image, one likeness, no duplicity. And unless two, the Lord and us be agreed, we cannot walk together, **Amos 3: 3**, in 'the way'.

COVENANT OF THE FATHERS, ONE SEED: 'GODLY SEED'

V3 Behold, I will corrupt your seed, and spread dung upon your faces, even the dung of your solemn feasts; and one shall take you away with it.

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So by not hearing or obeying the Law the Lord is absent from 'the marriage' or union of the Priesthood hence the seed becomes corrupt. Except 'the Spirit' of the Priesthood is heard and laid to heart then 'the seed' will be corrupted and 'the solemn feasts' which comes out of the Ministry become as dung upon the faces of the Priests and it will all end in a carrying away of the nation. So then by obedience the 'godly seed' is preserved as well as the nation.

V10 Have we not all one father? hath not one God created us? why do we deal treacherously every man against his brother, by profaning the covenant of our fathers?

If we are of 'one godly seed' then we are of one Father. Therefore, those who are of Israel treat every man with sincerity and the uprightness of heart obeying the **Covenant of our Fathers**, knowing that God had made of one blood all nations, **Acts 17: 26** and we are all descendants of Adam who is the son of God. Not only so we also have not received the Spirit of bondage again to fear, but we have received the Spirit of adoption whereby we cry Abba Father, **Romans 8: 15**.

V17 Ye have wearied the LORD with your words. Yet ye say, wherein have we wearied him? When ye say, every one that doeth evil is good in the sight of the LORD, and he delighteth in them; or, where is the God of judgment?

The 'godly seed' does not weary or tire but energizes the Lord speaking the truth in righteousness and love; they proclaim that all who doeth good in the sight of the Lord He delights in them. They do not pour contempt on the longsuffering of God stating God delights in evil doers because His judgement is not swift upon them. This, the goodness of the Lord, should lead evil doers to repentance, **Romans 2: 4**. Of course the knowledge of the holy is understanding, **Proverbs 9: 10**.

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The Messengers will also embrace the **Covenant of the Fathers** and deal sincerely with each man as their brother. Because of this obligation they will not fail to warn every man of the impending doom and judgment that awaits a sinful generation.

'OUT': THE COVENANT OF LEVI

V4 And ye shall know that I have sent (send out) this commandment unto you, that my covenant might be with Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.

The Lord, the Self-existent and Eternal One of Hosts, of the multitude or masses of peoples purposed that His **Covenant** should remain with **Levi** so the words (**Commandment**) was 'sent out' and as it is said the words which 'go out' of my mouth shall not return unto me void but it shall accomplish that which I please and it shall prosper in thing I sent it, **Isaiah 55: 11**, even so it will provide seed and bread.

V11 Judah hath dealt treacherously, and an abomination is committed in Israel and in Jerusalem; for Judah hath profaned the holiness of the LORD which he loved, and hath married the daughter of a strange god.

The tribe of Judah like that of Levi also went 'out' of the way. The Lord had laid the blame squarely at the feet of Levi saying because they had gone 'out' of the way they caused others to stumble at the Law. The Ministers of the Sanctuary has the responsibility to lead by example. Thus the Lord of Hosts purposing that His Covenant should be with Levi will also resuscitate the others who went also 'out' of the way as they minister to them. If ye hear harden not your hearts as some did in the day of provocation, **Hebrew 3: 15 and 4: 7**. The Spirit and the Bride say: come, and let him who hears say: come. And let him who is athirst take of the water of life freely, **Revelation 22: 17**.

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The Messengers will therefore preach the Law or Commandment that is 'sent out' from God to repair the breach and restore the paths or 'the way,' to dwell in, **Isaiah 58: 12**, to revive not only the Priesthood but all Israel and the World.

'THE FRUIT': COVENANT OF LIFE AND PEACE

V5 My covenant was with him of life and peace; and I gave them to him for the fear wherewith he feared me, and was afraid before my name.

The Covenant with Levi is best described as that which results in life and peace. The Law is ordained unto life but that which was ordained unto life works death in us, **Romans 7: 9-10**. But what the Law could not do in the flesh God sending His Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin condemned sin in the flesh that the righteousness of the Law might be fulfilled in us, those who walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit, **Romans 8: 3-4**. For the Law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus has made us free from the Law of sin and death, **Romans 8: 2**. So Jesus whose High Priestly Ministry the Covenant of Levi symbolized, says, I have come that ye might have life and that ye might have it more abundantly, **John 10: 10**. For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life, **John 3: 16**. Therefore, being justified by faith we are at peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, **Romans 5: 1**.

V12 The LORD will cut off the man that doeth this, the master and the scholar, out of the tabernacles of Jacob, and him that offereth an offering unto the LORD of hosts.

Who knows the power of thy wrath even as thy fear so is thy wrath? So teach us to number our days and apply our hearts unto wisdom, **Psalms 90: 11**. To those who revere and honour God they receive life and are at peace with Him.

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But to those who are contentious and do not obey the truth, but are obedient in unrighteousness, they receive indignation and wrath, **Romans 2: 8**. God will cut off both the Teacher or Master and the Scholar or Student from out of the Tabernacles of Jacob of all these who profane the holiness of God in marrying the daughter of a strange god.

The Messengers of God fear the Lord and experience the abundant life and peace He affords and they bear the Sword of the Spirit to cut off all those who are obedient in unrighteousness, hence Elijah also slew the false prophets with the sword, **1 Kings 19: 1**.

THE REWARD: THE LAW OF TRUTH

V6 The law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked with me in peace and equity, and did turn many away from iniquity.

Having heard and laid the Law of the Lord to heart, out of the abundance of the heart the mouth now speaks, **Luke 6: 45**. He sowed bountifully so he now reaps bountifully, the Law of Truth is in his mouth, and deceit or iniquity was not found in his lips. He walked or lived in 'the way' with the Lord in peace and equity and did turn many away from iniquity; therefore, he was now fully settled in the truth.

V13 And this have ye done again, covering the altar of the LORD with tears, with weeping, and with crying out, insomuch that he regards not the offering any more, or receives it with good will at your hand.

Godly sorrow works repentance which needs not be repented of, **2 Corinthians 7:10**. And God is nigh him that is of a broken Spirit and saves such that are of a contrite heart, **Psalms 34:18 and 51: 17**. The covering of the altar of the Lord with tears, weeping and crying out was not godly sorrow unto repentance but it was a wailing much like the false prophets of **1 Kings 18: 28**.

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The custom of the waling like the idolaters was taking root in the worship at the Lord's altar which was displeasing in His eyes such that He did not have regard to such offerings. These on the contrary were not settled having the Law of Truth in their mouths as they did not walk with God in peace and equity hence they practised deceit.

The Messengers of God similarly has the Law of Truth in their mouths as it is said in their mouths were found no guile: therefore are they before the throne of God, **Revelation 14: 5.**

THE OFFERING: THE MESSENGER OF THE LORD OF HOSTS

V7 For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts.

Great peace has they that know thy Law and nothing shall offend them, **Psalms 119: 165.** For the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom and the knowledge of the holy is understanding, **Psalms 111: 10.** The vertical recount speaks of **The Messenger** who comes in the **Name of the Lord of Hosts:**

- 1 They are **Priests** who receives **the Commandments**, collectively in **the Law**, walking in the way of the Lord.
- 2 They **hear and lay to heart** the Law hence they receive 'The Spirit of the Priesthood'.
- 3 They keep the **Covenant of the Fathers** dealing honestly with every man as a **brother** recognizing that we have **One Father** and hence we are of one Godly Seed.
- 4 They recognize that **the Law** was sent out from God that His Covenant might be with Levi, '**Covenant of Levi**'.
- 5 Because of the fear of the Lord, His Name, they receive the **Covenant of both Life and Peace.**

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6 Because they sowed in abundance in their heart **the Law of Truth** was in His Mouth for He walked with the Lord in **Peace and Equity**.

V14 Yet ye say, wherefore? Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously: yet is she thy companion, and the wife of thy covenant.

The Lord, the Self-existent, Eternal One, is **'the Witness'** between Levi and **'His Wife,'** the Priesthood, described as the **'Wife of His Youth'** and the **Wife of thy Covenant**. What is being alluded to is that the Lord is the swift **Witness** in the Covenant of Marriage has enacted by Jacob and Laban in **THE COVENANT OF GALEED** (Hebrew meaning: HEAP OF WITNESS), **MITZPAH** (WATCH TOWER) OR **JEGARSAHADUTHA** (Chaldean meaning: HEAP OF WITNESS OR TESTIMONY) found in **Genesis 31**. Though this Covenant was for the physical Marriage in Israel God applies it also to the Marriage that pertains between Himself and the Priesthood. Your attention is drawn to **1 Kings 17** in the Book of the Kings on the website study it and understand it as it is the basis or terms of reference by which the **Messenger(s)** in the end of time operate(s). The vertical recount speaks to the points or issues, any one of which constitutes the basis for re-enacting the **Covenant of GALEED, MITZPAH OR JEGARSAHADUTHA** of calling the Lord as the **'Witness'** for judgement:

- 8 A corruption of the **Covenant of Levi** which is **'marriage of the Priesthood'** as outlined in **the Law**, specifically the **Book of Levi**, this speaks to a departing from **the Law** or out of **'the way'** of the Lord or the Priesthood by Levi causing many to stumble at the Law.
- 9 Being **partial** or unjust in the execution of **the Law**.
- 10 Profaning **the Covenant of the Fathers** by dealing treacherously or deceitfully with one another as brothers even though we have one Father and God that created us.
- 11 By committing Idolatry, **the marriage by Judah of the daughter of a strange God, they profaned the holiness of God.**

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12 The judgement of the Lord is **to cut off every man that has done this both the Master or Teacher, and the Scholar or Student and makes an offering unto the Lord.** Thus Elijah slew the false prophets with the Sword (the symbol for the Word of God which is the Sword of the Spirit). The Messenger(s) in the end of time will invoke the original Levi, Jesus, to execute this judgement.

13 In addition to the foregoing these though they continued in evil yet in deceit they wailed, **in tears, weeping and crying out at the altar so that the Lord have no regard to their offerings.** This practice is no different from that of **Isaiah 58**, where Israel fasted for deceit, and to smite with the fist of wickedness. They failed to repent but continued headlong to destruction in their deceit and wickedness.

As **the Tower of Babel** was a rallying point for the then world in **Genesis 11** from whence the people were scattered throughout the earth, even so **the Watch Tower, The Covenant of Mitzpah (Watch Tower)**, Galeed or Jegarsahadutha will be a rallying point for **the Messenger(s)** in the end of the World when Babylon shall be fallen, fallen and has become the hold of every unclean spirit and every foul and hateful bird, **Revelation 18: 2.** It's because of this falling away why the **Messenger(s)** will use the messages or terms of the **Covenant of Mitzpah** to invoke God as **the Eternal Witness** who keeps watch to execute judgement by His **Sword or His Word.** Even as **the Covenant** was made between Laban, a Chaldean or Babylonian, and Jacob, Israel, along these two general lines or groups will the World be divided, so God issues the call: come out of her my people and be not partakers of her sins that you receive not of her plagues! **Revelation 18: 4.**

CONCLUSION:

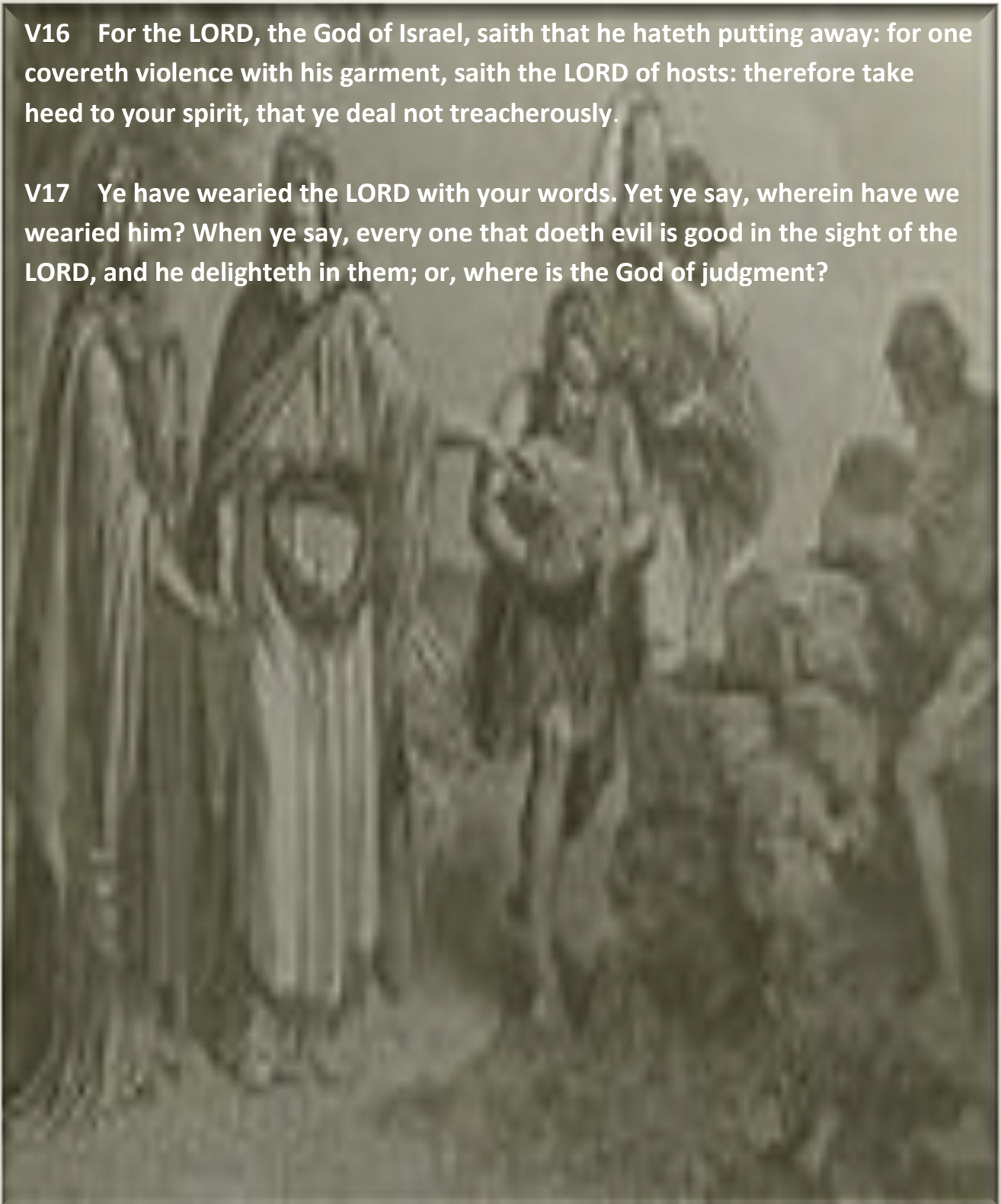
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CHAPTER 1 THE NAME OF THE LORD OF HOSTS IS TO BE ADORABLE AMONG THE NATIONS

Malachi means ministrative, Angel, specifically of God, Prophet, Priest, Teacher, Preceptor, Ambassador or King. He carries the burden (load, song or prophecy) of the Word of the Lord to Israel. The Word of the Lord is sharper than a two edged sword, piercing to dividing sunder and is a discernor of every thought and the intent of the heart. He wields the Word of the Lord which is the Sword of the Spirit. The picture is somewhat portrayed as the Angel which is position at the gate of the garden of Eden with the flaming sword which turns every way. The Lord, The Lord of Hosts as Father, Master, Governor, Priest, King of not just the nation of Israel but of the masses, all nations upon the face of the earth including the heathen. Israel is portrayed as rebellious and as result it made obsolete a wilderness for the drago while the fear of the Lord extends beyond its border to all other nations upon the earth. The fear of the Lord is clean enduring for ever.

THE BURDEN OF THE WORD OF THE LORD

The burden of the word of the LORD is to be paid (as is God) by Malachi (ministrative, angel, specifically of God, prophet, Priest, Teacher, Governor, King, Ambassador).

THE LORD THAT LOVES JACOB

I have loved you, says the LORD. Yet you say, Where has he hid his love that we did not know? Truly we have loved Jacob, says the LORD. Yet you say, Where has he hid his love that we did not know? Truly we have loved Jacob, says the LORD. Yet you say, Where has he hid his love that we did not know? Truly we have loved Jacob, says the LORD.

THE LORD THAT HATE SAUL & HIS GENERATION

And I hated Saul (including his descendants), and laid his mountains and his heritage (something inherited, patrimony or portion, possession, inheritance) waste (desolate) for the dragons of the wilderness.

THE BUILD AND DESTROY WITHIN THE LORD OF HOSTS

Whereas Edom (and, ruthly) built, We are instrumental (desolable), but we will return (go up) and build the desolate places, thus says the LORD of hosts. They shall build, but I will raise a stone against you, says the LORD. They shall build, but I will raise a stone against you, says the LORD.

THE LORD MAGNIFIED OUTSIDE THE BOUNDARY OF ISRAEL

And your children, and you shall say, Who will be magnified (be large in estate or honour) from the border (boundary, boundary) inwardly of Israel.

SONS, SERVANTS, PRIESTS THAT DESPISE (NO FEAR NO HONOUR) THE NAME OF THE LORD OF HOSTS

How have you despised my name, says the LORD. How have you despised my name, says the LORD. How have you despised my name, says the LORD. How have you despised my name, says the LORD.

THE TABLE OF THE LORD CONTEMPSEABLE

Ye will pollute (be unclean) it, says the LORD. Ye will pollute (be unclean) it, says the LORD. Ye will pollute (be unclean) it, says the LORD. Ye will pollute (be unclean) it, says the LORD.

CHAPTER 2 THE WAY OF THE LORD OF HOSTS

The record or the legal basis for the Priestly Ministry is outlined in this Chapter. All Priest is obligated to obey for He is the Messenger of the Lord of Hosts. There are referred to in the Chapter as COMMANDMENTS, THE LAW, THE COVENANT OF LEVI, THE COVENANT OF THE FATHERS, THE MARRIAGE COVENANT, COVENANT OF LIFE AND PEACE THE LAW OF TRUTH IN HIS Lips, AND THE COVENANT OF CALLED OR RESEMBLING HOUSHOLD. The Law is spiritual but I am carnal sold under sin. God is a Spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in truth. My ways are not your ways, neither are my thoughts your thoughts. For as high are the heavens above the earth so are my ways and my thoughts above yours. And as the snow and the rain come down and waters the earth and causes it to bud and bring forth seeds for the sower and bread for the eater. So shall my words that go out of my mouth it shall not return unto me void but shall accomplish that which I sent it to do and shall prosper.

The Law of the Lord is perfect converting the soul; the statutes of the Lord are right rejoicing the heart. The commandments of the Lord are pure enlightening the eyes. The testimonies of the Lord are sure making wise the simple. The judgements of the Lord are true and altogether righteous. More are they to be desired than gold which is more fine gold sweeter than honey and the honey comb. Moreover by them is your servants warmed and in the keeping of them is great reward.

THE PRECEPT COMMANDMENT

And now, O priests, this commandment is for you. But ye have despised it, says the LORD of hosts.

A CURSE PROPHESY FOR DISOBEDIENCE

If ye will not hear, and if ye will not obey to my voice, says the LORD of hosts, I will even send a curse upon you, and I will cover your heavens with clouds, says the LORD of hosts.

SELECTED (NO PRESSURE NOR AWAKENED) BY THE LORD OF HOSTS

Who is there even among you that would heed the voice for might? neither do ye kindle fire on mine altar for might. Have no pleasure in you, says the LORD of hosts, neither will I accept an offering at your hand.

THE SUN AND THE NAME OF THE LORD OF HOSTS

For from the rising till of the east of the sun even unto the going down (go up in the west) of the same my name shall be great among the Gentiles, and in every place because shall be diffused unto my name, and a pure offering for my name shall be great (high, might) among the heathen (name of naming, a foreign nation), says the LORD of hosts.

THE TABLE OF THE LORD PROPANED BY THOSE SAY IT IS

But ye have profaned it, in that ye say, The table of the LORD is polluted, and the flesh thereof, even his meat, is contemptible.

THE LAW OF TRUTH

The law of truth was in my mouth, and integrity was not found in his lips; he walked with us in peace and equity, and did them many ways from integrity.

PRIEST IS MESSENGER OF THE LORDS OF HOSTS

For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at the mouth of the LORD. For he is the messenger of the LORDS OF HOSTS.

CHAPTER 3 THE MESSAGE SENT TO PREPARE THE WAY FOR THE MESSENGER OF THE COVENANT FOR MAKING UP THE JEWELS

A voice cries in the wilderness, saying: Prepare ye THE WAY make His path straight. Every mountain shall be brought low and every hill flat and every valley shall be raised. The Earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein. For He has founded it upon the Seas and established it upon the floods. Who shall ascend into the hills of the Lord and who shall stand in His holy place. He that has a clean heart and pure heart and have not lifted up his soul unto vanity nor sworn deceitfully. The legal basis or framework of the previous Chapter is summarily described in this Chapter as "Difficulties," a watch, guard or safeguard which is restored by the Messenger that is sent but only because the sons of Jacob: the generations of the nation of Israel repented, that the other nations: heathen, shall call that nation a delightful land. Notice also that the sons of Levi are purified that the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem become pleasant. The Priests are core of the soul or spirit of any nation. Thus the reformation must begin with them and then extends to the other tribes of the nation. John the Baptist was the Elias which was to come or the Messenger sent ahead of the Messenger of the Covenant or Jesus. The coming of the Messenger of the Covenant or Jesus was also dramatized also in the account in John 5 when an Angel or Messenger at a certain season went down to the Pool of Bethesda and troubled the waters. The purification of and whosoever stepped in was made whole of whatever disease he had. The purification of Levi as prophesied in this Chapter was not fully realized at the first coming of the Messenger of the Covenant as most of these brothers were as 'Isa' and not like 'Jacob' and did not return unto God that He should return unto them. The question is will they return when Elijah is sent again before that great and terrible day of the Lord? They will be given yet another opportunity to repent before the Day as the Oven. Those who returned fulfilled the prophecy of the Chapter.

THE MARRIAGE COVENANT

And did not he make us one? Yet he had the measure of the spirit. And whosoever does that that might seek a guilty end. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let not man deal treacherously against the wife of his youth.

DOES HATE DIVORCE

For the LORD, God of Israel, saith, I hate divorce, says the LORD of hosts, therefore do ye hate it, says the LORD of hosts.

THE LORD WEARED

Ye have wearied the LORD with your words, yet ye have not obeyed his voice, says the LORD of hosts. Therefore shall death not be good in the sight of the LORD, and he will delight in them, says the LORD of hosts.

OFFERING OF JUDAH & JERUSALEM AGAIN RECOUNT

Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the LORD, as in the day of old, and as in the former days, says the LORD of hosts.

JUDGEMENT & SWIFT WITNESS

And I will come near to you to judgment, and I will be a swift witness against the wicked, and against the unrighteous, and against the hypocrites, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that break the stone of the altar from his right, and fear not me, says the LORD of hosts.

SONS OF JACOB ARE NOT CONSUMED

For I am the LORD, I change not, therefore ye sons of Jacob shall not be consumed.

EVEN FROM THE DAYS OF YOUR FATHERS YOU ARE

Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from my law, says the LORD of hosts. Therefore shall I return unto you, and will return unto you, says the LORD of hosts. But ye say, Where shall we return?

CHAPTER 4 RETURN OF THE LORD OF HOSTS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS GOES OUT

The Day as the Ovens is that great and terrible Day of the second coming of the Lord or the Messenger of the Covenant. Yet again we are given the promise of the Messenger being sent ahead to prepare the way before the Lord's coming. The legal basis or framework of the previous Chapter is specifically identified in this Chapter as 'Elijah.' Whereas he was not named in the Chapter 3's Prophecy since expounded on this in His explanation saying 'ye would receive it this was Elias for to come. We know from the prophecy of the prophet that he would go ahead before the Lord to prepare the way so we see him as the forerunner or Messenger before the Lord, the Messenger of the Covenant. Again, this time the Second Coming of the Lord which is the great and terrible or Judgment Day we are promised the Messenger, in the Spirit and power of Elijah who will yet again prepare the way. We are also reminded of the importance of obedience to the Law of Moses.

THE DAY OF JUDGEMENT (THE OVEN)

For heathen, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven, and all that do wickedness, shall be burnt there: but them that shall do rightness, shall be able and the day that cometh shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

THE SUN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS (HEALING)

But unto you that my name shall be called, shall the Sun of Righteousness arise with healing in his wings, and ye shall tread forth (lead), and grow up as calves of the stall.

WICKED TREADED DOWN UNDER FOOT

And ye shall tread down the wicked: for ye shall be able under the heels of your feet in the day that I shall do so, says the LORD of hosts.

RECOUNT THE LAW OF MOSES

Remember ye the Law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.

ELIAS SENT BEFORE THAT GREAT & TERRIBLE DAY

Behold, I will send (send) you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and terrible day of the LORD.

CHANGE OF HEART

And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, so that I will come and make the earth with a peace.