



**Give God Your Very  
Best**

# Six charges against God's people

Doubting	God's love (1:1-5)
Despising	God's honor (1:6-2:9)
Rejecting	God's standards (2:10-16)
Redefining	God's righteousness (2:17-3:6)
Robbing	God of tithes and offerings (3:7-12)
Questioning	The value of obeying God (3:13-4:6)



# Outline of Malachi

1:1-2:9

Attitudes related to **God's person**

2:10 – 3:6

Attitudes related to **God's righteous standards**

3:7 – 4:6


Attitudes related to **God's word**



## Malachi's overall message

**Because God will judge  
unrepentant sin and will restore  
those who repent,**

**His people are called to give Him  
their very best in every area of life.**



## Doubting God's Love

**Self-focus** blinded them to the evidence.

**Self-pity** misinterpreted circumstances believing, "If God loved me, I would be trouble-free".

**Self-focus** blinds us to proof of God's love.

**Self-pity** misinterprets circumstances as lack of love from God.



Malachi's message in 1:1 – 2:9

**God admonishes those  
who doubt His love and  
who rob Him of glory.**

**He calls them to a reciprocal love  
that stirs a fresh commitment to  
obey.**





## Attitudes related to God's person

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## Attitudes related to God's person

- I. Doubting God's love (1:1-5).**
- II. Despising God's honor (1:6-2:9).**

“Nothing less  
than the best was  
to be offered in  
sacrifice to God”

R. K. Harrison,  
*Introduction to the  
Old Testament*, p.  
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