

“If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God...” (1 Peter 4:11).



CHURCH OF CHRIST AT TERRE HAUTE

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GOSPEL MEETING

April 22-27

Schedule of Services:

Sunday: 10 am, 11 am, & 2:30 pm

Monday - Friday: 7 pm

SPEAKING WHERE THE BIBLE SPEAKS

Sunday Bible Class: *My Speech And My Preaching*

Sunday am: *Owe No Man Anything*

Sunday pm: *But God*

Monday: *The Same Hour Of The Night*

Tuesday: *Buried With Him In Baptism*

Wednesday: *The Father Seeketh Such*

Thursday: *Why Tarnest Thou?*

Friday: *Then Cometh The End*



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Come And Hear The Good News!

THE BURDEN OF MALACHI

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The book of Malachi, once read and studied, can clearly be seen as a society very similar to ours. The problems that plagued them seem to afflict us. Don't believe it? Consider the following. They had issues with...

1) THE LOVE OF GOD.

In **Malachi 1:2**, God says He has loved them, yet they asked in what way? In no period of time does mankind ever have the right or reason to question God's love. In fact, the Bible affirms God loved mankind (manifested in the giving of His Son) even though he was a sinner (**Romans 5:8**).

2) **THE RESPECT FOR GOD.** In **Malachi 1:6**, God reasons that fathers and

leaders are honored, yet He is not. They were offering polluted sacrifices and expecting God to accept them. Solomon summed it up well when saying "Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man" (**Ecclesiastes 12:13**).

3) **THE TREATMENT OF WIVES.** In **Malachi 2:14-16** God makes it known He was not happy, in any way, with how cheaply and unimportant they were treating marriage. He made it clear to them He was witness to their vows — as He is today. God's law for marriage has never been Divinely altered — one man marries one woman; each promises the other to stay together for life (**Matthew 19:6**).

4) **THE WEARYING OF GOD.** After having put up with all the above and more, God declares He was growing "weary" (**Malachi 2:17**). This merely serves to illustrate that the patience and longsuffering of God has its limits. God is a loving and gracious God who is full of mercy (**Psalm 103:8**). Yet, we know He is a jealous God (**Joshua 24:19**). The long-suffering of God is still ongoing because He desires man's salvation (**II Peter 3:9**).

It is clear we, as a society, mirror that of the Jews during the days of Malachi. May we each see to it we live "soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world" (**Titus 2:12**).

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