

Introduction to Malachi

Malachi 1:1-2a

1. A message from GOD (Biblical Context)

The Old Testament is arranged according to CATEGORY not CHRONOLOGY

- i. PENTATEUCH (Genesis-Deuteronomy)
- ii. HISTORY (Joshua-Esther)
- iii. POETRY (Psalms-Song of Solomon)
- iv. PROPHECY (Isaiah-Malachi)

2. A message to GOD'S PEOPLE (Historical Context)

God's people had no POWER and no PROSPERITY

DATE EVENT

930 BC Solomon Dies – Nation divides (Israel/Judah)

722 BC Israel (North) exiled by Assyria

586 BC Judah (South) exiled by Bablyon

538 BC Persia Conquers Babylon, sends Judahites home

Current Message: Malachi

Sermon Series: Making Quality Disciples

Haggai and Zachariah prophesy

515 BC Temple rebuilt

479 BC Esther Crowned Queen of Persia

458 BC Ezra arrives in Judah

444 BC Nehemiah rebuilds wall of Jerusalem

Malachi prophecies

3. A message through MALACHI (Literary Context)

4. A message of LOVE