

Notes for Malachi 2

Hebrew & Greek pronunciation spelled phonetically

Malachi (*Mahl-ah-KHEE in Hebrew*) likely wrote his prophecy between 433 and 425 B.C. After Malachi, there were no new prophets for about 400 years. This time is called the “400 Years of Silence”.

Malachi means “My Messenger”

Maśśā' (*mas-saw'*) often means burden, but also oracle. It is also used for the prophecies of Zechariah 9:1, Nahum 1:1. & Habakkuk 1:1.

As a pilot one of the most important instruments is your altimeter. It is an instrument a pilot checks a lot!

If you don't, your equilibrium will trick you into thinking you are steady when in fact you may be descending... right into the ground!

Your inner ear will lie to you. So, you check your altitude and make corrections as needed.

As Believers, the equilibrium of our day to day lives will trick us into thinking we are steady. When in fact we are descending away from God toward a crash. Our inner self will lie to us.

As Believers it is important for us to check our altimeters. The way we do that is through scripture. We want to be constantly checking ourselves and our relationship to our heavenly father. Are we on course or are we straying off course, away from God?

Do my words, my actions glorify God?

Luke 12:48 - ...*Everyone to whom much was given, of him much will be required, and from him to whom they entrusted much, they will demand the more.*

1 Peter 4:10-11 - *As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies – in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.*

2 Timothy 4:2 - *preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching.*

Genesis 50:20 - *As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.*

Romans 6:1 - *What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound?*

2 Corinthians 6:14 - *Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership has righteousness with lawlessness? Or what fellowship has light with darkness?*

As Believers we want to have close relationships, especially marriage and dating with other Believers and not yoke ourselves to unbelievers. If we make that mistake, we are far more likely to fall away than to bring them to God.

Proverbs 15:8A - *“The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the Lord...”*

Mark 10:9 - *What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate.”*

Matthew 19:6 - *So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate.*