**QUESTIONS**

**DAY ONE: Review**

1. What challenged or encouraged you from the lecture, and how did it help you in your Christian walk?

1. What from the notes helped you understand God’s Word, and how did you apply it?

**DAY TWO: Read Malachi 1:6-8**

*Please pray before beginning your study. A possible verse to pray this week is Ephesians 3:16-19 “Father, I pray that You would strengthen my heart so I am firmly rooted and established in Your love that surpasses knowledge.”*

1. To whom is God speaking and why is He angry with them? (vs 6)
2. Who is God’s royal priesthood now? Refer to the following verses.
   1. 1 Peter 2:9,10
   2. 2 Timothy 1:9
3. a. What 2 insolent questions did the priests ask God? (see vs 6,7)

b. What was God’s answer back to them?

1. a. What was wrong with the priest's sacrifices to God? (vs. 8)

b. According to Leviticus 22:17-22, why was this disobedient?

1. a. God was not pleased with their sacrifices, what is the only one pure sacrifice God accepts from us today? (see Hebrews 10:10)

b. Why did God send us His perfect sacrifice? (see John 3:16)

**DAY THREE; Read Malachi 1: 9-14**

*Please pray before beginning your study.*

1. a. After the priest knowingly brought wrong sacrifices to God, what did they still ask God to do for them? (vs. 9)

b. What 2 heart attitudes was God looking for in them and He still wants from us today? (vs. 6)

1. a. How do you honor and respect God?

b. What did Jesus say summed up what God wants from us? Mathew 22:37-40

1. a. What does God say about His name in vs 11?

b. How were the priests profaning God’s name? (vs 12,13)

1. a. From vs 14, what does God say to those who break their vows to Him?

b. What do you learn about vows in Deuteronomy 23:21-23?

c. What is God’s final statement in vs 14?

**DAY FOUR; Read Malachi 2:1-9**

*Please pray before beginning your study.*

1. What does God say to the priests in Malachi 2:2?
2. *Thought Question:*  What do you think God means when He tells them to set their hearts to honor Him? And how do we do that today ? Please read Psalm 51 and be willing to see what God reveals to you about your heart. Consider sharing.
3. a. What do you learn about God’s covenant with Levi? (vs 4-6)

b. What more do you learn about this covenant in Numbers 3: 5-13?

1. a. What did God expect from His priests? (vs 7)

b. How were the priests not fulfilling God’s expectations? (vs 8, 9)

**DAY FIVE Read Malachi 2:10-17**

*Please pray before beginning your study.*

1. a. What is the specific sin God is pointing out to Judah in verses 10 and 11?

b. *Thought Question:*  Why do you think God would not want us to break faith with Him or one another?

1. Why does God say He is not paying attention to their prayer requests? (See vs 13,14)
2. What is God’s final statement in vs16?
3. *Thought Question:* God is all about relationships! First, His with us, then ours with Him, and then ours with one another. And He knows all of us fail to do our part perfectly - so how does He love, rescue, forgive, redeem and restore us? Please read Romans 3:21-24 and be willing to share God’s revelation to you.

**DAY SIX: Re-read Malachi 1:6 - 2:17 (SOAP)**

*Please pray before beginning your study.*

*After reading this week’s lesson, choose a verse, or verses, that were particularly meaningful to you.*

*Then use the SOAP method for personal application.*

Scripture–Write the verse(s)

Observation–Record something you learned from this verse(s).

Application–How can I apply this to my life?

Prayer–Pray to God, praise Him, and ask Him for what you need in response to what you learned. Write down your prayer.