





# I AM A GREAT KING

## Malachi 1:6-8 ESV

<sup>6</sup> "A son honors his father, and a servant his master. If then I am a father, where is my honor? And if I am a master, where is my fear? says the LORD of hosts to you, O priests, who despise my name. But you say, 'How have we despised your name?' <sup>7</sup> By offering polluted food upon my altar. But you say, 'How have we polluted you?' By saying that the LORD's table may be despised. 8 When you offer blind animals in sacrifice, is that not evil? And when you offer those that are lame or sick, is that not evil? Present that to your governor; will he accept you or show you favor? says the LORD of hosts.

## Malachi 1: 9-10,14 ESV

<sup>9</sup> And now entreat the favor of God, that he may be gracious to us. With such a gift from your hand, will he show favor to any of you? says the LORD of hosts. <sup>10</sup> Oh that there were one among you who would shut the doors, that you might not kindle fire on my altar in vain! I have no pleasure in you, says the LORD of hosts, and I will not accept an offering from your hand.

<sup>14</sup> Cursed be the cheat who has a male in his flock, and vows it, and yet sacrifices to the Lord what is blemished. For I am a great King, says the LORD of hosts, and my name will be feared among the nations.

## **The Five Old Testament Sacrifices:**

Burnt Offering Grain Offering

Peace Offering

Sin Offering Trespass Offering

The sacrificed animal must be without blemish or defect, representing innocence and purity.

### **Honor God with Our Sacrifices**

#### **Romans 12:1 ESV**

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

God deserves our **BEST** 

"If you don't feel strong desires for the manifestation of the glory of God, it is not because you have drunk deeply and are satisfied. It is because you have nibbled so long at the table of the world. Your soul is stuffed with small things, and there is no room for the great."

- John Piper

# **Honor God with Our Ministry**

#### Malachi 2:7-8 ESV

<sup>7</sup> For the lips of a priest should guard knowledge, and people should seek instruction from his mouth, for he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts. <sup>8</sup> But you have turned aside from the way. You have caused many to stumble by your instruction. You have corrupted the covenant of Levi, says the LORD of hosts.

# **Honor God with Our Ministry**

#### 1 Peter 2:9 ESV

<sup>9</sup> But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Be concerned for the UNCHURCHED

"If you think your love for God is increasing, yet your concern for the lost is decreasing, you are deceived."

- Chip Ingram

# **Honor God with Our Relationships**

#### Malachi 2:11 ESV

<sup>11</sup> Judah has been faithless, and abomination has been committed in Israel and in Jerusalem. For Judah has profaned the sanctuary of the LORD, which he loves, and has married the daughter of a foreign god.

# **Honor God with Our Relationships**

#### Malachi 2:13-14 ESV

<sup>13</sup> And this second thing you do. You cover the LORD's altar with tears, with weeping and groaning because he no longer regards the offering or accepts it with favor from your hand. <sup>14</sup> But you say, "Why does he not?" Because the LORD was witness between you and the wife of your youth, to whom you have been faithless, though she is your companion and your wife by covenant.

## Malachi 1:14b ESV

<sup>14</sup> . . . . For I am a great King, says the LORD of hosts, and my name will be feared among the nations.





