- 1. Review why were the people in the spiritual condition they were in?
- 2. What is this book about? 1:1. What did the Lord say he had done? 1:2
- 3. What objection is raised? 1:2. How did the Lord answer? 1:2
- 4. What was said about Esau? 1:3. What did Edom say? 1:4. Give the lord's response.1:4
- 5. What did the Lord tell Israel in 1:5? What was said to the priests in 1:6?
- 6. What objection is raised at the end of 1:6? What had they done? What did they ask? Give the Lord's answer. 1:7
- 7. What did the Lord then ask? 1:8
- 8. If they worshipped God in their own way -- "By your means" -- Would God accept them? 1:9. What is the meaning of the question in 1:10?
- 9. Would the Lord accept them as they were? 1:10. Among whom would God's name be great? 1:11. What objection is raised in 1:12?
- 10. What else did they say and do? 1:13. What did the Lord ask? 1:13
- 11. Who would be cursed? Why? 1:14

### 12. Lessons For Today:

- A. "Jehovah declares his love for the people...the prophets put an objection in the mouth of the people in the form of a question, 'Wherein hast thou loved us?" (the minor prophets, Homer Hailey). Then God answers the objection. This method is used several times.
- B. When God said he loved Jacob and hated Esau, was he talking about the men or the nations which came from them? Gen. 25:21-23; rom.9:10-13
- C. What 2 relationships did God use to show how faithless the priests were? How had the priests shown themselves to be faithless?
- D. How can we offer blemished offerings? If we offered our employers the kind of service we offered God, would he accept it?
- E. Why would they be just as well off to close the doors of the temple? 1:10. Would some churches be just as well to close the doors? Why?
- **F.** When was 1:11 fulfilled? What other lessons do you see?

- 2. To whom did God speak? Would God punish them if they did not obey? 2:1-3
- 3. What would they know? Describe God's covenant with Levi. 2:4-5
- 4. Why did God give the covenant to Levi? 2:5. What was in his mouth? 2:6
- 5. What was not found on his lips? What resulted? 2:6
- 6. What was the work of the priests? Why? 2:7. What had they done? 2:8
- 7. What had God done? 2:9. What did they have? 2:10
- 8. What were they doing? 2:10. What had Judah done?2:11
- 9. What would God do? 2:12. What were they doing? How did God react? 2:13
- 10. What did they say? 2:14. Give God's response. 2:14
- 11. Note: The first part of 2:15 is difficult. "Not any one has done so who has a remnant of the spirit" (pulpit). Refer to other translations also.
- 12. What would he seek? what were they not to do? Why? 2:15-16
- 13. What had they done? what were they saying? Give the Lord's answer. 2:17

## 14. Lessons For Today:

1. Review

- A. What was the duty of the priests? What could the people do? Why? 2:7 What had the priests been doing? 2:8
- B. What responsibilities do elders, preachers, and teachers have? What results when they do their duty? What results when they do not?
- C. What is the basis of man's just treatment of his fellow man? 2:10 Should this carry over to the way people treat one another in the home?
- D. When a man and woman they make a \_\_\_\_\_\_. Who witnesses it? What does God hate? Define: putting away.
- **E.** How does a man's treatment of his wife affect his worship? 2:11,12 Note: 2:17 begins a new thought which carries over into chapter three. What were they doing? 2:17

- 1. Review:
- 2. what would the Lord send? What would the messenger do? What would the Lord do? 3:1
- 3. What two questions were asked? 3:2 What would the messenger be like? 3:2
- 4. What would the messenger do? 3:3. What would result? 3:3-5
- 5. What did the Lord say about himself? 3:6. What charges and promises are made in 3:7?
- 6. State the charge in 3:8-9. What were they to do? 3:10
- 7. What would God do? 3:10-12
- 8. What is the next charge? 3:13. Give the objection? 3:13
- 9. Give God's answer. 3:14-15
- 10. What did those who feared the Lord do? What did the Lord do for them? 3:16
- 11. What did the Lord say next? 3:17. What would they be able to do? 3:18

# 12. Lessons For Today:

- A. Note: The charge in 2:17 is discussed in chapters 3 & 4.
- B. Who is the messenger spoken of in the first part of 3:1? What was his mission? Isaiah 40:3-5; Matt.3:1-3
- C. Who is the "Messenger of the covenant"? 3:1. What is meant by "The day of his coming"? 3:2
- D. List the things this messenger is likened unto. 3:2-3. How did Jesus Christ like them? Who will be able to stand? 3:2
- E. How does God act as a "swift witness" against evil? 3:6. What would they be able to do? 3:18
- F. How did they rob God? 3:8. How may we rob God?
- G. Is it vain to serve God? 3:14. Why should we who fear the Lord speak often to one another? 3:16. What was Judah's biggest problem?

- 1. Review
- 2. What was coming? It would burn as a what? 4:1
- 3. What would the proud and wicked be? 4:1. What would the day that cometh do? 4:1
- 4. Who said that? 4:1. To whom did the Lord speak in 4:2?
- 5. What would arise? With what? 4:2. What would they do? 4:2
- 6. What else would they do? Why? 4:3
- 7. What were they to remember? 4:4. Who had commanded it? Where? 4:4
- 8. What did the law of Moses contain? 4:4. Whom would the Lord send? 4:5
- 9. Elijah would come before what? 4:5. What would he do? Why? 4:6
- 10. Lessons For Today:
- A. What "day" is referred to in 4:1? What is the meaning of the last part of 4:1?
- B. There are several figures of speech in 4:1. How many can you find?
- C. Who are the wicked? 4:1. Who are those who fear the Lord? 4:2
- D. What is meant by "The sun of righteousness"? 4:2 When was the promise concerning the "sun of righteousness" fulfilled?
- E. What kind of healing is referred to in 4:2? What is the meaning of the last part of 4:2?
- F. In what sense would they "tread down the wicked"? 4:3 Why should they remember about the law of Moses? 4:4
- G. Is the "day" in 4:5 the same as the "day" in 4:17 Whom would God send? When? 4:15
- H. When did God fulfill the promise to send Elijah? Did this promised " Elijah" do what God said he would? 4:6
- I. Do you see something in this chapter which we have missed?