

## The River Church

### **50/50 Bible Study Challenge – Year 2 week #9**

#### **Malachi 3**

**Memory Verse:** Malachi 3:3 (NASB95): 3 “He will sit as a smelter and purifier of silver, and He will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, so that they may present to the Lord offerings in righteousness.

#### **Talking points:**

#### **Verses 1-3**

-Malachi is Propheying about two entities in verse 1. Who are they?

-How did The Holy Spirit define each of them through Malachi?

-What is his purpose upon arrival?

-What is the significance of a refiner or smelter?

-What was the people group he was going to start with? Why?

#### **Verse 4-6**

-What is the fruit from verse 3?

-What would we call that in present day?

- Why will he wait until the first four verses are completed to judge?

- Do you know of a similar time in history when we have seen the hand of a God move the same way?

- What are the people groups that he will Judge? What are the similarities that all the people groups have in common?

- What is the biblical truth stated in verse 6 about our Father?

Verse 7-12

- Do we repent with words or actions?

- What does a curse from God look like? Can anyone reverse it?

- Was the tithe to fund the temple or was there more to it?

- If so, what? Does it span into the new covenant?

- What are Gods answers to the repentance?

In verse 11 He talks about the devourer and fruits of the vine not casting its fruit.

-Who is the devourer and what does this verse look like into this day in age?

Verse 13-15

-What led the people astray first their words or their heart? Do you have a verse to back it up?

Verse 16-18

-What does verse 16 tell us about our speaking with each other?

-When we repent do we need more than just words? What does true repentance look like?

-What is the fruit of repentance with God and man?