"Great Expectations"

A Cry for Authentic Faith • pt. 9 Malachi 4:1-6

Introduction

- meeting life's expectations
- our expectations of the Bible
 - Malachi is the last book of the Bible

- Bible ending on a positive note
- one more nugget of truth
- 1. God's coming judgment will not change
 - fury of its coming: "the day"

• nature of its coming: "leave neither root nor branch" Mt. 24:41, 45; Lk. 16:24; Rev. 14:9-11

- 2. God's inflexible Word does not change
 - "remember"
 - never irrelevant or out of style
- 3. God's precious promises cannot change
 - God's promise of redemption
 - coming of Elijah fulfilled? Lk. 1:16-17; Mt. 11:14; 17:11-13

APPLICATION

2 Pet. 3:10-18

Is your faith authentic? Live what you say you believe.