

“Remember Whose You Are”
A Cry for Authentic Faith • pt. 1
Malachi 1:1-5

INTRODUCTION

- memory is a good thing!

- Malachi’s cry of judgment and call to repentance

OVERVIEW

- author

- historical setting

“God and Malachi wanted a righteous nation, a pure and devoted priesthood, happy homes, God-fearing children and a people characterized by truth, integrity, generosity, gratitude, fidelity, love, and hope.”
– Robert Alden

- divisions & well-known verses

1. God’s sovereign grace

- Malachi’s foundation: God’s sovereign love for His people
Mal. 1:1-2; Deut. 4:37-38; Is. 43:3-4; Hos. 11:1

- sorting out ways in which God “loves”
 - + no one deserves God’s love
Rom. 3:9-18, 23; Is. 64:6

 - + nevertheless, God chooses to show grace to sinners
Rom. 2:4; Mt. 5:45

 - + to some God extends special grace
Gen. 25:23; Rom. 9:10-13

- God is Sovereign, Creator

- are man’s choices meaningless?

- confusion over God’s “foreknowledge”
Jn. 15:16; 6:37; 10:27-28

2. My steady response

- remember _____.

- remember _____.