

13. Nehemiah returned to Persian in the year 432 B.C. and then went back to Jerusalem seven years later. What did he discover upon his return?

14. What are some ways that Pastor Bryan describes the lives of the Jews in the days of Malachi?

15. Have you lost your zeal and excitement about living for the Lord?

16. Have you become mechanical in your observance of the word of God?

17. Has your worship become sporadic and half-hearted?

18. Have you stopped giving to the Lord financially?

19. Has your walk with the Lord become a spiritually lethargic routine?

20. In the Hebrews way of thinking, “to love” meant “to choose”.

21. Why did God choose Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and their descendants?

22. The Edomites were descendants of what Old Testament figure?

23. What Old Testament book gives us a detailed account of God’s judgement upon the Edomites?

24. Malachi says what he says in verses 4-5 because he wants to remind his Jewish brethren of what?

25. In Malachi 1:7-10, God is saying that He prefers no worship to what?

26. In Malachi 1:11-14, we see that people had lost their respect for God, and this was demonstrated by them doing what?

27. What do we know about the lives of the spiritual leaders of the Jewish people in Malachi’s time?

28. From Malachi 2:2, we see that the people’s problems came from where?

29. Is your heart cold towards God?

30. Have you left your first love?

31. The Lord wants us to truly do what, in relation to Him?

32. What are spiritual leaders suppose to do?

33. God wanted (wants) the spiritual leaders to teach the Word of God in what way?

34. Rather than teaching the Word of God without compromise, the leaders were doing what?

35. According to Paul, what will happen in the end times in relation to people listening to and learning the truth?

36. According to Malachi 2:10-12, what was another problem that the Jews had?

37. When a Christian marries an unbeliever, he or she is refusing to do what?

38. What was another problem that the Jews had, that God was greatly displeased about?

39. What does God think about divorce?

40. According to Malachi 2:17, the people had become what?

41. Malachi 3:1 is a reference to who?
42. According to Malachi 3:14, the people had lost sight of the importance and value of what?
43. What attitudes/actions surface today, when people wonder if it is worth serving God and living for the Lord?
44. The church today, wants something “flashy” and exciting, rather than what?
45. Many Christians today seek after the miraculous, rather than seeking after what?
46. What is God going to do for the righteous someday?
47. If you are a father, is your heart with your children, or is it with a lot of other things?
48. What is the very last word of the book?
49. Why is this a fitting way to end the Old Testament?
50. Do you know God’s solution for sin and judgment? Do you know the Lord Jesus Christ personally?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God’s enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- How can I accomplish this change?
- What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

## **A SPIRITUALLY LETHARGIC ROUTINE**

### A Glance At The Book of Malachi

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon on: “A Spiritually Lethargic Routine”. All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. What book of the Bible precedes 400 years of silence from God?
2. After Malachi, who was the next mouthpiece of God?
3. How many of the 55 verses in Malachi are spoken by God?
4. When did the nation suffer a major rift?
5. What was the name of the northern kingdom?
6. When did it fall to the Assyrians?
7. The southern kingdom was called what?
8. When did Judah fall to the Babylonians?
9. How many years were the Jews in captivity before they were allowed to return to rebuild?
10. Zerubbabel led the first group of Jews back to their land and they began to rebuild what?
11. 58 years after Zerubbabel, Ezra led a group back and he focused on rebuilding what?
12. About 13 years after Ezra, who returned to the city of Jerusalem to rebuild the city walls?