

Sermon Notes:

Series: Minor Prophets, # 9

Malachi – Breaking Covenant

Bible scholars have no information about the author of Malachi. The Hebrew word means 'my messenger', so perhaps it is not the proper name of a prophet.

The book is written in dialogue form, a conversation between God and his people; we see at least 10 occurrences of "God says", and "yet you ask"...

Imagine the heavenly Father having a talk with you today...

Would you look forward to that? Or would it create a bit of anxiety?

What do you suppose he might say?

And how would you respond?

Read over these divisions of the book, six 'oracles', and note the main message of each passage:

1:2-5

1:6 – 2:9

2:10-16

2:17 – 3:5

3:6-12

3:13 – 4:6

Are these words from the Lord only for Judah around the year 430 BC?

Or do they contain warnings that we need to hear today?