

**The Return to Jerusalem Study**  
**Malachi 2:10-3:12; "The Messenger of the LORD"**  
**DIVISIONS AND PRINCIPLES**

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**Division 1:**

God reveals how faithlessness was interfering with the Exiles' Covenant Blessings.  
Malachi 2:10-16; additional citations: Deuteronomy 6:6-7, Ephesians 1:18, 1 Peter 3:7

Principle #1: God will withhold blessings and answers to our prayers while we are disobedient or faithless to our spouses.

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**Division 2:**

God answers the Exiles' claims that God is missing and unjust for not blessing them.  
Malachi 2:17-3:7<sup>a</sup>

Principle #2: God rewards those who repent and obey Him with blessings and answers to prayers in this life.

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**Division 3:**

God reveals how the Exiles were robbing themselves of Covenant blessings.  
Malachi 3:7<sup>b</sup>-3:12; additional citation: 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

Principle #3: By failing to give generously to support God's work, we rob ourselves of God's blessings.

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