

# Does God Really Love Me?

## Malachi 1:1-5

<sup>2</sup>“I have always loved you,” says the LORD. But you retort, “Really? How have you loved us?” And the LORD replies, “This is how I showed My love for you: I loved your ancestor Jacob, <sup>3</sup> but I rejected his brother, Esau, and devastated his hill country. I turned Esau’s inheritance into a desert for jackals.”<sup>4</sup> Esau’s descendants in Edom may say, “We have been shattered, but we will rebuild the ruins.” But the LORD of Heaven’s Armies replies, “They may try to rebuild, but I will demolish them again. Their country will be known as ‘The Land of Wickedness,’ and their people will be called ‘The People with Whom the LORD Is Forever Angry.’”<sup>5</sup> When you see the destruction for yourselves, you will say, ‘Truly, the LORD’s greatness reaches far beyond Israel’s borders!’” Malachi 1:2-5

**Malachi lived at the end of an age when Israel was indifferent and insolent!**

### 1. He Loved Them with a \_\_\_\_\_ LOVE! (2)

*This is how I showed My love for you: I loved your ancestor Jacob, <sup>3</sup> but I rejected his brother, Esau... Malachi 1:2-3*

**God wants ALL to be saved!** *This is good and pleases God our Savior, <sup>4</sup> who wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth. <sup>5</sup> For, there is one God and one Mediator who can reconcile God and humanity—the man Christ Jesus. <sup>6</sup> He gave His life to purchase freedom for **everyone.*** I Timothy 2:3-6 (also 2 Peter 3:9)

<sup>32</sup> And when I am lifted up from the earth, **I will draw everyone** to myself. John 12:32

<sup>2</sup> God the Father knew you and chose you long ago, and His Spirit has made you holy. I Peter 1:2

**God’s Election is not from PRE-DETERMINATION but from \_\_\_\_\_ !**

**Don’t Look at Circumstances to see God’s Love, look at His Character!**

### 2. He Loved Them with a \_\_\_\_\_ Love! (3)

*but I [hated KJV] rejected his brother, Esau, and devastated his hill country. Malachi 1:3*

**Love Requires Hate! If people love God, they will Hate Sin!**

<sup>9</sup> Don’t just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. Romans 12:9

### 3. He Loved Them with a \_\_\_\_\_ Love! (4)

*‘The People with Whom the LORD **Is Forever Angry.**’ Malachi 1:4*

<sup>25</sup> For Christ must reign until He humbles all His enemies beneath His feet. <sup>26</sup> And the last enemy to be destroyed is death... I Corinthians 15:25-26

### 4. He Loved Them with a \_\_\_\_\_ Love! (5)

*When you see the destruction for yourselves, you will say, ‘Truly, the LORD’s greatness reaches far beyond Israel’s borders!’” Malachi 1:5*

<sup>18</sup> And may you have the power to understand, as all God’s people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. Ephesians 3:18

**Answers:**

Sovereign, Pre-Knowledge, Strong, Steadfast, Seeking

**March**

**Sun., 11th Daylight Saving Time Begins**

Small Group - Bible Study at 8:30 am, 8:45 am, 9:00 am, 11:15 am

**New Series on Malachi "Does God Really Love Me?"** 10:00 am - Worship Center

Sunday Night Bible Study at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

**Mon., 12th** Spring Break No School until March 19th

**Tues., 13th** S.A.M.'s Luncheon at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall

**Wed., 14th** Compass Cove Fun Day (kids) — drop off 8:00 am pick up no later than 5:00 pm

Ezekiel Bible Study at 6:30 pm in the Faith room

Youth Night at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Kids Ministry— No Evening Activities

**Sun., 18th** Small Group - Bible Study at 8:30 am, 8:45 am, 9:00 am, 11:15 am

Malachi Series Part 2 **"The Battle Within!"** 10:00 am in the Worship Center

Day at the Park (Student Ministry) after church at Saxon Harris Park

Sunday Night Bible Study at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

**Wed., 21st** **New**—A Time to Pray 6:30 pm — 7:00 pm in the Faith room

Youth Night at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Kids Ministry— at 6:30 pm upstairs in the children's area

Ezekiel Bible Study at 7:00 pm—8:00 pm in the Faith room

**New** - Ladies Bible Study **"He Speaks To Me"** at 7:00 pm — 8:00 pm in the Library

**Sat., 24th** Easter Eggstravaganza starts at 10:00 am volunteers please be here at 9:00 am

**Sun., 25th** Small Group - Bible Study at 8:30 am, 8:45 am, 9:00 am, 11:15 am

Palm Sunday Church Service at 10:00 am in the Worship Center

Sunday Night Bible Study at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

**Wed., 28th** A Time to Pray 6:30 pm — 7:00 pm in the Faith room

Youth Night at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Kids Ministry— at 6:30 pm upstairs in the children's area

Ezekiel Bible Study at 7:00 pm—8:00 pm in the Faith room

Ladies Bible Study **"He Speaks To Me"** at 7:00 pm — 8:00 pm in the Library

**Fri., 30th** Church Office Closed – Good Friday

<u>Financial Update</u>	<u>Financial Giving</u>
Total Weekly Budget	<i>Give, and you will receive. Your gift will</i>
<b>\$ 12,857.00</b>	<i>return to you in full—pressed down,</i>
Weekly Offering	<i>shaken together to make room for more,</i>
Received	<i>running over, and poured into your lap.</i>
March 4, 2018	<i>The amount you give will determine the</i>
<b>\$ 14,230.69</b>	<i>amount you get back. Luke 6:38</i>

What's Happening at DLBC