

Responsive Reading Romans 2:1-29

Malachi 4:1-3 "That day"...our future & our present! He is with us in that fire if we are His*Malachi 3:2* purifying fire that removes all the dirt & pulls out all the dross*Malachi 1:13 & Malachi 3:13-15* Proud men & wicked workers that will be judged in "that day"*Matthew 24:29-35* *What God has set in motion, He will see it through to the end.**Malachi 2:17* You have worn Him out with words after words that disparage the Lord & His ordinances & that the wicked get off scot-free in this life...the words that impugn God's character but still calling themselves righteous... Don't put off getting right with God!!!*Acts 17:31* *The day of judgment is fixed!**Malachi 3:17* Those who are His will be protected & His special treasure*Malachi 4:1, 3, 5* evil thoughts contrary to God's character*At the root of evil is the self-reliance on being good enough to go to heaven without God's intervention.**They miss the holiness of God Almighty.**They establish themselves as the pinnacle of standards.**God is not impressed....**2 Pet. 3:3-4* Scoffers will eventually pay the price for their choices to make fun of God & His ways*Malachi 3:15* The proud, the arrogant, are in trouble*Matthew 25:46* If eternal life is real, so is eternal damnation*Rev 20:10-15* The Great White Throne judgment; no man can stand against the Judge & His judgments*Mark 9:48* The fire is hot & the worm does not die... constant torment The thing they love the most will be the thing they will be tormented with, over & over.*Romans 5:18-21* Errors come from misinterpretation of scriptures such as Universalism (everyone will be saved) They twist "Since Christ died for all" to "all will be saved"...Nope*Malachi 4:2-3* The Sun of Righteousness will grant us healing & the wicked will be no more. He IS the King of Glory!!! If we fear God now, & do not need to fear His judgment on that coming day.*Revelation 12:11* We overcome by the blood of the Lamb, our own testimonies, & love only of the Lord*Romans 3:21-31* The righteousness of God is what is placed around us; NOT our own "righteousness".*2 Corinthians 5:17* We are NEW in Him!!!*Luke 1:77-79* Jesus gives us the knowledge of salvation, light to come out of darkness, & guides our feet into the ways of peace!*Acts 26:18* *Jesus can open your eyes, turn from darkness to light, from the power of Satan unto the power of God, deliver you from the power of your sins, grant grace & forgiveness,*

1. Light where there was darkness; outside of Christ is nothing but darkness *Acts:26:18* If we follow Him we shall have the light of life *John 8:12*
2. Healing where there was disease & brokenness, restoration from the warm rays of the Son. *Malachi 4:2-3*
3. Son of righteous brings hope & joy, bringing light into a hazy & dark life. He defeats depression & the oppression of unbelief. He brings excitement & happiness rather than the hopelessness of no good eternal end. *Eph. 2:12* We have been set free from the penalty & power of sin.
4. He brings right where there was wrong, justice instead of corruption, rejoicing in holy law's perfect final decisions. The righteous will rejoice! *Revelation 6:9-11* Rest, God says, & the final just decisions will come in due time & with His perfection. *Rev. 18:2* Babylon will fall.

History note: Pastor Billy references an early heresy in his sermon. If you want more information on Gnosticism & the Early Church, please listen to Professor Dr. Ryan Reeves of Gordon Conwell Theological seminary as he explains this early departure from the plain truth~ [Gnosticism & the Early Church](#). You can also hear historian Bruce Gore's explanation of gnosticism & the problems the church had dealing with the Greek influences & its resolution via the Council of Nicaea here ~ [Antiochan Christianity](#).

Hymn: [When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder](#)Watch the sermon at <https://youtu.be/uNWNJ2aOGh4>Listen to the audio at <http://chirb.it/MgFrHI>

