

Careless Faith

Malachi 3:6-3:12

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Introduction:

Question: When we are UNFAITHFUL to God, what does God's FAITHFULNESS to us look like?

Main Point: It is only when we live by FAITH that we will fully experience the BLESSINGS of God's FAITHFULNESS.

Key Truth: God is always FAITHFUL to keep His PROMISES

1. God is faithful to SAVE us and to KEEP us.

Principle: Our salvation is based on God's FAITHFULNESS and not OURS.

2. God is faithful to FOLLOW THROUGH on His PROMISES.

Principle: God's faithfulness is fully on display both when He BLESSES us as we are FAITHFUL and REMOVES BLESSINGS as we are not.

Our Problem: We are prone to be UNFAITHFUL.

1. **A Case Study:** Our Unfaithfulness with MONEY.

Principle: When we rob God, we end up robbing OURSELVES.

2. **Our Temptation:** To STEP in.

Principle: Don't get in GOD'S WAY.

God's Solution: Accept the FAITHFULNESS CHALLENGE.

1. Live by faith in God's promise of PROVISION and PROTECTION.

Principle: Give God a chance to PROVE Himself.

2. Anticipate God's BLESSINGS.

Promise: He will remove the LOCUSTS of our lives.

Promise: He will make us into BLESSING BANKS.