



Lesson 52: The Great and Awesome Day of the Lord (Mal 3-4)

Big Idea: Because of our Savior, all who turn to God have a great future!

From the story we learned about how the prophet Malachi and how he told Israel that their sin had turned them away from God and that a mighty day of judgment was coming.

Please help your child to memorize the verse and the Scripture reference. Please review with them the place of the book of Malachi and the minor prophets in the Bible.

Scripture Memory Verse:

Malachi 4:2 - For you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings.

Discussion Questions:

1. Have you ever been punished for doing something wrong and then done it again? Why do you think we do that? After God's people returned from exile, did they fully obey God? "Even after the judgment of exile, God's people did not obey God's word."
2. Since God's people continued to disobey God, what did Malachi say would happen? What would happen if they turned back to God? "Malachi warned that the day of the Lord will mean judgment for those who don't return to God and salvation for those who do."
3. What were some things we've seen in the Biggest Story so far that pointed to Jesus as the coming Savior? "The whole OT gives us pictures to point us to Jesus, the promised Savior."

Catechism Question:

Question 25: Does Christ's death mean all our sins can be forgiven?

Answer 25: Yes, because Christ's death on the cross fully paid the penalty for our sin, God will remember our sins no more.