



where's your next bite?

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OFFERING GOD OUR BEST

MALACHI 1

Proverbs 3:9-10 ESV

⁹ *Honor the Lord with your wealth*

*and with the **firstfruits** of all your produce;*

¹⁰ *then your barns will be filled with plenty,*

and your vats will be bursting with wine.

Malachi 1

Romans 12:1 ESV

*I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a **living sacrifice**, holy and acceptable to God, which is your **spiritual worship**.*



Malachi 1 NIV

⁶ “A son honors his father, and a slave his master. If I am a father, where is the honor due me? If I am a master, where is the respect due me?” says the LORD Almighty.

“It is you priests who show contempt for my name.

“But you ask, ‘How have we shown contempt for your name?’

Malachi 1 NIV

⁷ *“By offering defiled food on my altar.*

“But you ask, ‘How have we defiled you?’

“By saying that the LORD’s table is contemptible.

Malachi 1 NIV

⁸ When you offer blind animals for sacrifice, is that not wrong? When you sacrifice lame or diseased animals, is that not wrong? Try offering them to your governor! Would he be pleased with you? Would he accept you?" says the LORD Almighty.

Malachi 1 NIV

⁹ *“Now plead with God to be gracious to us. With such offerings from your hands, will he accept you?”—says the LORD Almighty.*

Malachi 1 NIV

¹⁰ “Oh, that one of you would shut the temple doors, so that you would not light useless fires on my altar! I am not pleased with you,” says the LORD Almighty, “and I will accept no offering from your hands.

**God would rather have no church
than a church giving Him leftovers.**

God is not honored by leftovers.

Malachi 1 NIV

"My name will be great among the nations, from where the sun rises to where it sets. In every place incense and pure offerings will be brought to me, because my name will be great among the nations," says the LORD Almighty.

Malachi 1 NIV

¹² *“But you profane it by saying, ‘The Lord’s table is defiled,’ and, ‘Its food is contemptible.’*

¹³ *And you say, ‘What a burden!’ and you sniff at it contemptuously,” says the LORD Almighty.*

**Worship is not about convenience.
It is about honoring God.**

Malachi 1 NIV

“When you bring injured, lame or diseased animals and offer them as sacrifices, should I accept them from your hands?” says the LORD.

¹⁴ “Cursed is the cheat who has an acceptable male in his flock and vows to give it, but then sacrifices a blemished animal to the Lord. For I am a great king,” says the LORD Almighty, “and my name is to be feared among the nations.

Your life is your offering.

Are you offering leftovers to God?

Distractions *(areas that demand our attention & glory)*

- School, grades
- Worries & anxieties
- Friend or family drama
- Screens, games, social media, laziness
- Sports / performances / competitions
- Crushes, dating
- Image (wanting to look good)
- Worrying about what others think of us
- Money & possessions



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Small Group Questions

Icebreakers

- When you do homework, do you usually give it your best effort, or just enough to get it done?
- In what areas of life are you really motivated? In what areas are you lazy?

Giving God Our Best

- What's one area in life where you are giving it your "best"?
- What would it look like for you to give God your best in school? At home? At church? In your private life?
- How might you be giving God your leftovers and not your best?