



RETURN TO ME —

Malachi: Return to Me, God's Marriages – May 15-16, 2021
STUDY NOTES || LIVE PREACHING

Are we fighting for oneness?

Have we not all one Father? Has not one God created us? Why do we deal treacherously with one another By profaning the covenant of the fathers? **Malachi 2:10 NKJV**

Judah has dealt treacherously, And an abomination has been committed in Israel and in Jerusalem, For Judah has profaned The LORD's holy institution which He loves: He has married the daughter of a foreign god.

Malachi 2:11 NKJV

May the LORD cut off from the tents of Jacob The man who does this, being awake and aware, Yet who brings an offering to the LORD of hosts! **Malachi 2:12 NKJV**

And this is the second thing you do: You cover the altar of the LORD with tears, With weeping and crying; So He does not regard the offering anymore, Nor receive it with goodwill from your hands. **Malachi 2:13 NKJV**

Yet you say, "For what reason?" Because the LORD has been witness Between you and the wife of your youth,
With whom you have dealt treacherously; Yet she is your companion And your wife by covenant.

Malachi 2:14 NKJV

But did He not make them one, Having a remnant of the Spirit? And why one? He seeks godly offspring.
"Therefore take heed to your spirit, And let none deal treacherously with the wife of his youth.

Malachi 2:15 NKJV

"For the LORD God of Israel says That He hates divorce, For it covers one's garment with violence," Says the
LORD of hosts. Therefore take heed to your spirit, That you do not deal treacherously." **Malachi 2:16 NKJV**

You have wearied the LORD with your words; "Yet you say, "In what way have we wearied Him?" In that you
say, "Everyone who does evil Is good in the sight of the LORD, And He delights in them," Or, "Where is the God
of justice?" **Malachi 2:17 NKJV**

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NURSERY

THE BIBLE IS GOD'S BOOK

KING JOSIAH FINDS THE LAW IN THE TEMPLE



Scribbles, dribbles, and mud pies. Toddlers are masters at creative messes. But toddlers are also eager to help clean if someone special asks them to. Have fun with your little helper as he/she helps you clean just like King Josiah cleaned the Temple in our new Bible story! Take some time to gently polish and pat the Bible and thank God for giving us this special book!

Memory Verse: The Bible is God's Book. 2 Timothy 3:16 (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: God Gave Us the Bible

Parent Engagement: Find something around your house that your toddler can help you clean. As you clean, talk about the time that King Josiah cleaned the temple and found part of the Bible. Don't know this story? Check it out in 2 Chronicles 34:1-35:19.

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THE EARLY CHURCH

PETER AND PAUL



This month in GKJr we get to follow the exciting adventures of Peter and Paul as Jesus used them to help the early church get started. We will learn how Jesus wants us to be brave and tell others about Him and He will help us.

Memory Verse: "They replied, 'Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved, along with everyone in your household.' Acts 16:31

Heart of the Lesson: Be Brave and Tell People About Jesus - Paul's Trips - Acts 13 & 14

Parent Engagement: Who is someone you know that doesn't know Jesus? Make cookies or a meal for them and deliver with a little note: "Jesus loves you and so do we!"

ELEMENTARY

Jesus vs. The World



The world tells us a lot of things and if we aren't careful, it is easy to start listening to the world and acting like the world. The Bible tells us that God's kingdom is the opposite of the world and therefore the way we live should be different from the ways of this world. In this series, we are going to break down what Jesus tells us vs. what the World tells us. The victory is already won but you have to decide who you are going to let win in your life!

Memory Verse: Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect Romans 12:2

Heart of the Lesson: In God's Kingdom, It's About Serving Not Being Served - Mark 10:35-45, Matthew 5:16

Parent Engagement: Challenge! Can you "out-serve" each other today? Try and do three things for someone before they even ask!

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YOU ASKED FOR IT



During the month of May we will be answering tough questions that the 5th and 6th graders have asked. The students will engage in small groups to discover what the Bible says about their question, and then discuss with the whole group what they found out!

Memory Verse: Keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives. Everyone who seeks finds. And to everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Matthew 7:7-8

Heart of the Lesson: Why did Jesus die for us, imperfect people? Revelation 4:8, Psalm 99:9, Psalm 18:3, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Romans 3:23-28, 1 John 5:11-13, Titus 1:2

Parent Engagement: Have your student role-play how they would answer today's question if a friend asked them.