



RETURN TO ME —

Malachi: Return to Me - God's Coming (Malachi 4:1-6) – June 12-13, 2021
STUDY NOTES || TIM HOWEY

Are you looking forward to Christ's return?

No one knows the day or hour of Christ's return (Matthew 24:36)

"For behold, the day is coming, Burning like an oven, And all the proud, yes, all who do wickedly will be stubble. And the day which is coming shall burn them up," Says the Lord of hosts, "That will leave them neither root nor branch. **Malachi 4:1 NKJV**

But to you who fear My name The Sun of Righteousness shall arise With healing in His wings; And you shall go out And grow fat like stall-fed calves. **Malachi 4:2 NKJV**

You shall trample the wicked, For they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet On the day that I do this," Says the Lord of hosts. **Malachi 4:3 NKJV**

“Remember the Law of Moses, My servant, Which I commanded him in Horeb for all Israel, With the statutes and judgments. **Malachi 4:4 NKJV**

Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet Before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord.
Malachi 4:5 NKJV

And he will turn The hearts of the fathers to the children, And the hearts of the children to their fathers, Lest I come and strike the earth with a curse.” **Malachi 4:6 NKJV**

looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? **2 Peter 3:12 NKJV**

Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. **2 Peter 3:13 NKJV**

Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless; **2 Peter 3:14 NKJV**

NURSERY

GOD MAKES THINGS GROW

1 CORINTHIANS 3:7



In this series, we will learn about the ways God makes living things in our wonderful world grow—things such as animals, plants, and people. Your toddler will have the opportunity to touch, smell, hear, taste, and see things that grow to reinforce the point that *God makes things grow*.

Memory Verse: God makes things grow. 1 Corinthians 3:7 (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: God Makes Animals Grow

Parent Engagement: Let's pretend play! Ask your toddler what his/her favorite animal is. Pretend to play your favorite animals as babies and as they grow up. Remind your toddler that *God makes animals grow*.

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GOD MADE OUR 5 SENSES



We are starting fresh this summer reminding our little ones how God made them and their five senses and how much God loves them. Then we will be having four weeks of VeggieTales movies for some summer fun.

Memory Verse: Give thanks to the God of heaven. His faithful love endures forever. Psalm 136:26

Heart of the Lesson: God Loves Me - Jesus Welcomes the Kids - Mark 10:13-16, Matt 19:13-15, and Luke 18:15-17

Parent Engagement: Play red light, green light with your kids. Talk about how in this weekend's story the disciples said stop (red light), but Jesus said go (green light) Jesus always wants us to come to him no matter how big or small we are.

ELEMENTARY

Awe and Wonder

God is AWESome and WONDERful



When we think about God, it should bring us to a place of both awe and wonder. He is so awesome that we could never even put it into words. He is so big and created the entire universe yet at the same time so personal that he knows you better than you know yourselves. We hope our kids leave this two week series in awe and wonder of our great God!

Memory Verse: "Those who live at the ends of the earth stand in awe of your wonders. From where the sun rises to where it sets, you inspire shouts of joy." -Psalm 65:8

Heart of the Lesson: God is WONDERful - Matthew 18:13, 27:46, Psalm 86:5, John 3:16, 14:6, Is 55:8-9, Mark 9:24

Parent Engagement: Take a family walk. Look around and take turns pointing out all the awesome and wonderful things God has done and made.

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DO SOMETHING

AN OUTREACH SERIES



In this series, we will be learning about how to engage unreached people groups around the world with the gospel. The students will begin their time in small groups to research information and discover different ways that they can Do Something to be involved in local and global outreach initiatives. The students will end each week in Large Group to present what they discovered.

Memory Verse: But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent? That is why the Scriptures say, “How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news!” Romans 10:14-15

Heart of the Lesson: Introduction to G56 - 1 Timothy 4:12

Parent Engagement: What is one way you can be an example in what you say, what you do, in your love, faith, and purity this week?