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## God's Promises in Malachi

In the book of Malachi, there are several promises that God makes to his people. Here are a few examples:

- 1. God promises to send a messenger to prepare the way for the Lord: "See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple" (Malachi 3:1).
- 2. God promises to purify his people: "He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness" (Malachi 3:3).
- 3. God promises to bless those who honor him: "Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts; see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing" (Malachi 3:10).
- 4. God promises to remember those who fear him: "Then those who revered the Lord spoke with one another. The Lord took note and listened, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who revered the Lord and thought on his name" (Malachi 3:16).
- 5. God promises to send Elijah before the great and terrible day of the Lord: "Lo, I will send you the prophet Elijah before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes" (Malachi 4:5).
- 6. God promises to distinguish between the righteous and the wicked: "Then once more you shall see the difference between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him" (Malachi 3:18).
- 7. God promises to bring healing: "But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings" (Malachi 4:2).
- 8. God promises to judge the proud and evildoers: "For the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts" (Malachi 4:1).
- 9. God promises to restore the hearts of fathers and children: "He will turn the hearts of parents to their children and the hearts of children to their parents, so that I will not come and strike the land with a curse" (Malachi 4:6).

These promises speak to God's faithfulness, justice, and love for his people, and are a source of hope and encouragement for believers.