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4 Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasant to YHWH, as in the days of old, and as in ancient years.

5 I will come near to you to judgment; and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against the perjurers, and against those who oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and who deprive the foreigner of justice, and don't fear me," says YHWH of Hosts.

6 "For I, YHWH, don't change; therefore you, sons of Jacob, are not consumed.

7 From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my ordinances, and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you," says YHWH of Hosts. "But you say, 'How shall we return?'

8 . Do Not Rob ELOHIM. .

Will a man rob ELOHIM? Yet you rob me! But you say, 'How have we robbed you?' In tithes and offerings.

9 You are cursed with the curse; for you rob me, even this whole nation.

10 Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house, and test me now in this," says YHWH of Hosts, "if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough for.

11 I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast its fruit before its time in the field," says YHWH of Hosts.

12 "All nations shall call you blessed, for you will be a delightful land," says YHWH of Hosts.

13 . The People Complain Harshly. .

"Your words have been stout against me," says YHWH! "Yet you say, 'What have we spoken against you?'

14 You have said, 'It is vain to serve ELOHIM;' and 'What profit is it that we have followed his instructions, and that we have walked mournfully before YHWH of Hosts?'

15 Now we call the proud happy; yes, those who work wickedness are built up; yes, they tempt ELOHIM, and escape.'

16 . A Book of Remembrance. .

Then those who feared YHWH spoke one with another; and YHWH listened, and heard, and a book of memory was written before him, for those who feared YHWH, and who honored his name.

17 They shall be mine," says YHWH of Hosts, "my own possession in the day that I make, and I will spare them, as a man spares his own son who serves him.

18 Then you shall return and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him who serves ELOHIM and him who doesn't serve him.

Malachi 4. (JPS=no chap 4)

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1 . The Great Day of ELOHIM. .

“For, behold, the day comes, it burns as a furnace; and all the proud, and all who work wickedness, will be stubble; and the day that comes will burn them up,” says YHWH of Hosts, “that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

2 But to you who fear my name shall the sun of righteousness arise with healing in its wings. You will go out, and leap like calves of the stall.

3 You shall tread down the wicked; for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I make,” says YHWH of Hosts.

4 “Remember the Torah of Moses my servant, which I commanded to him in Horeb for all Israel, even statutes and ordinances.

5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and terrible day of YHWH comes.

6 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.”

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Shabbat HaGadol ("Great Shabbat" שבת הגדול) is the Shabbat immediately before Passover. There is a special Haftarah reading on this Shabbat of the book of Malachi. Traditionally a lengthy and expansive sermon is given to the general community in the afternoon.

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