

NEXT STEPS

Even when it doesn't feel urgent, *the Day is coming*—and how we live now matters for eternity.

Take a moment to reflect:

Are you living in a way that shows you believe Jesus is really coming back?

What is one step you can take this week to grow in your relationship with God (Word, prayer, obedience, community)?

Who is one person you can begin praying for and intentionally engage with the Gospel this week?

the book of malachi

FINAL WORDS FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

PRAYER REQUESTS

Who or what can you be praying for this week?

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Talk It Over Questions

For the week of April 26, 2026
The Day of the Lord Is Coming

Malachi 4:1-6

QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or something that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

MY STORY

Malachi ends with a powerful truth: *depending on where you stand with God, the Day of the Lord will either be the best day or the worst day.*

When you think about the return of Christ, what emotions come to mind—peace, excitement, fear, uncertainty? Why?

The message emphasized that many people will be caught off guard when that Day comes.

What are some ways people today live as if Jesus is *not* coming back?

God is patient, giving people time to repent—but that time will not last forever.

Have you ever delayed obedience or spiritual decisions assuming there would always be more time? What led to that?

DIGGING DEEPER

Read Malachi 3:18–4:1

This passage reminds us that a clear distinction will be made between the righteous and the wicked.

Why do you think people today struggle with the idea of God bringing judgment?

Read Malachi 4:2–3

For those who fear the Lord, the Day will bring healing, joy, and freedom—like calves released from the stall.

What does it mean for Jesus to be the “Sun of righteousness” in your life right now?

Read 2 Peter 3:9–10

God is patient, not wanting anyone to perish—but the Day will come suddenly.

What is the danger of becoming spiritually “comfortable” in this season of waiting?

Read Malachi 4:4

God calls His people to remember His Word—not just mentally, but through obedience.

What does it practically look like to “remember” God’s Word in daily life?

Read 2 Corinthians 5:20

We are called to be God’s messengers—His ambassadors.

What fears or obstacles keep you from speaking up about your faith?