

REVIVE

6 WAKE UP CALLS FOR OUR FAITH

1. REVIEW THE SERMON

Read Malachi 2:17:3:1. When have you been tempted to doubt God's goodness or justice? How does knowing that God dwells with His people help you to trust Him for justice?

Read Malachi 3:2-6. Worship is a common theme in the book of Malachi. How does worship connect to our every day lives? Why is God so passionate about purifying the worship of his people as it relates to their everyday lives?

What images are used to describe God's purification of his people in this passage? In what ways have you seen (or are seeing) God purifying your life and worship?

Read Psalm 73:21-28. What are some things God has done for you? Reflect with your group about the good things God has done for you as individuals and for your group.

2. ASSESS YOUR HEART

Spiritual growth is the ongoing process of becoming more like Christ. In which area(s) of your life do you need to allow God to do the work of purifying you? (See 1 Peter 1:6-7)

3. APPLY THE TRUTH

1 Corinthians 10:31 notes that all of life is worship. How can you seek to worship God in all seasons and circumstances of life (both positive and negative) this week?

My Group Commitments

Message Notes

The Lovingly Patient Justice of God Malachi 2:17-3:6

The lovingly patient justice of God is clearly seen in the coming of Christ and the cross of Christ.

The Lord has come and dwelt among his people.

The Lord has, and will continue to, purify the worship of his people and judge the sin of the world.

The Lord's nature makes him lovingly patient in his justice toward us.