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1-2 Exposing Israel's Corruption

Dispute #1
I still love you.
How have you shown us love?
I chose Jacob's family to carry my covenant promises.
But not Esau's family.

Dispute #2
You deserve me & define my temple. How are we despising you?

Dispute #3
You've turned against me & your wives.
What? How?!!

Dispute #4
You've neglected us! Where is the God of justice?

4:4-6 Concluding Appendix: The Torah & Prophets

Torah Prophets: “Remember the Torah of my servant Moses.”
I will send the prophet Elijah before the Day of the LORD, who will restore the hearts of God's people.

4:1-3 Conclusion

“...When God will send a New Moses & Elijah to restore God's people & heal their hearts. (Deuteronomy 30, Jeremiah 31, Ezekiel 39)”

3 Confronting Israel's Corruption & The Day of the Lord

Dispute #5
Turn back to me.
Start offering the tithe again.

Dispute #6
It's pointless to serve God mixed people. Listen & God does nothing?!!

God's Response: A Short Story

The Faithful read the scroll to remember God's character & promises.
The divine gift of scriptures: They point us to the past to inspire hope for the future.

Prophets' Hopes: Yahweh's New Jerusalem

Injustice
Corruption
Poverty

100 years after return from exile.

The Future of the Remnant

“For those who revere my name, the sun of righteousness will rise, with healing in its wings.” (4:2)