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# Hard Words Against God Malachi 3:13-18



13"Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, 'How have we spoken against you?'



<sup>14</sup>You have said, 'It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts?



<sup>15</sup>And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape."



<sup>16</sup>Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name.



17"They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him.



<sup>18</sup>Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.



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1: We must serve God because we <u>love Him</u>, not because we will get something in return.

Malachi 3:13-15



# 2: There is a <u>distinction</u> between the one who fears the Lord and the one who does not Malachi 3:16-18



3: We must discern our <u>heart posture</u> toward the Lord: do we truly fear Him?



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