A LOVE THAT NEVER FAILS

BOOK THEME: A MESSAGE OF LIGHT IN THE MIDST OF DARKNESS **OBJECTIVE:** LEARN HOW GOD'S MESSAGE OF LOVE IS EVERLASTING

MALACHI 1:1-2A

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1. THE COVENANT LOVE OF GOD IS AN UNCHANGING MESSAGE

SINCE <u>GOD CONTINUES</u> TO <u>SPEAK TODAY</u>, <u>OUR RESPONSIBILITY</u> IS TO <u>FOCUS</u> ON THE AUTHOR OF THE MESSAGE NOT THE MESSENGER.

ANY <u>COMPLAINT</u> AGAINST WHAT <u>GOD</u> <u>DOES</u> IS AN <u>ASSAULT</u> UPON <u>GOD</u> HIMSELF.

MALACHI <u>REVEALS</u> THAT <u>PAST SINS</u> CAN <u>BECOME</u> OUR <u>PRESENT REALITY IF</u> WE DO NOT <u>KEEP SHORT ACCOUNTS</u> WITH <u>GOD</u>.

WHEN THERE <u>BECOMES</u> A <u>PROBLEM</u> IN A <u>BELIEVER'S RELATIONSHIP</u> WITH <u>GOD</u>, IT'S <u>NEVER GOD'S FAULT</u> BUT IT'S <u>ALWAYS OURS</u>.

GOD'S LOVE IS <u>DECLARED</u>, <u>DIRECTED</u>, <u>DEMONSTRATED</u>, AND <u>DEVOTED</u>.

PHILIPPIANS 3:3, "FOR WE ARE THE CIRCUMCISION, WHO WORSHIP BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD AND GLORY IN CHRIST JESUS AND PUT NO CONFIDENCE IN THE FLESH."

GOD'S LOVE IS A SOVEREIGN LOVE.

AS LORD OVER ALL, GOD IS NOT REQUIRED TO DO ANYTHING EXCEPT THAT WHICH IS DIRECTED BY HIS OWN CHARACTER AND BEING.

GOD'S LOVE IS AN UNCONDITIONAL LOVE.

THE MOTIVATION FOR GOD LOVING US COMES ENTIRELY FROM GOD AND IS NOT DERIVED FROM ANYTHING WE OR ISRAEL ARE OR PRETEND TO BE.

GOD'S LOVE IS **INTIMATELY PERSONAL**.

IN SPITE OF THE FACT THAT OUR LORD IS THE ONE TO WHOM THE HEAVENS AND EARTH BELONG, HE HAS DECIDED TO SET HIS LOVE AND AFFECTION ON HUMAN BEINGS.

GOD'S LOVE IS NOT A PAMPERING LOVE BUT A PERFECTING LOVE.

PSALM 107:43, "WHOEVER IS WISE, LET HIM HEED THESE THINGS AND CONSIDER THE GREAT LOVE OF THE LORD."