

## **WHERE IS THE GOD OF JUSTICE?**

Malachi 2:17-3:6

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*You have wearied the LORD with your words. "How have we wearied him?" you ask. You have wearied Him by saying that all who do evil are good in the LORD's sight, and He is pleased with them. You have wearied Him by asking, "Where is the God of justice?" Malachi 2:17 NLT*

**What do you do when adverse circumstances cause you to question God's justice?**

### **1. Remember He is faithful.**

*Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. Hebrews 10:23*

#### **A. He was faithful to come.**

*"Behold, I am going to send My messenger, and he will clear the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple; and the messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight, behold, He is coming," says the LORD of hosts. Malachi 3:1*

#### **B. He was faithful to die.**

*"Father, if You are willing, remove this cup from Me; yet not My will, but Yours be done." Luke 22:42*

#### **C. He is faithful to you.**

*He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things? Romans 8:32*

### **2. Remember He is purposeful.**

#### **A. His purpose is purity.**

*You shall be holy, for I am holy. 1 Peter 1:16*

B. His purpose is to make you like Jesus.

*For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the first-born among many brethren. Romans 8:29*

C. His purpose is always guided by love.

### 3. Remember He is merciful.

A. We often fail to see our need.

B. We need mercy not justice.

C. We need to take advantage of His mercy while there is time.

*But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? Malachi 3:2*

*And the men of Beth-shemesh said, "Who is able to stand before the LORD, this holy God? 1 Samuel 6:20*

**The time is now.**