

**LEARNING FROM JUDAH IN
THE DAYS OF MALACHI**

Judah's worship and service to God was
characterized by:

- Questioning the goodness of God and charging Him with injustice
 - 1:2-3
 - 2:17
 - 3:13-15

Judah's worship and service to God was
characterized by:

- Offering to God the defiled
 - 1:7-8, 13
- Withholding from God their best
 - 1:14

Judah's worship and service to God was
characterized by:

- Priests departing from the way and causing many to stumble
 - 2:7-9
- Unholy living
 - 2:10-12; 13-16
 - 3:5

Judah's worship and service to God was
characterized by:

- Withholding tithes
 - 3:8
 - Nehemiah 13:10-14
- Desecrating the Sabbath
 - Nehemiah 13:15-22

In these actions, they demonstrated...

- Irreverence, dishonor, and profaning the name of the Lord
 - 1:6-8
 - 1:12
- A weariness rather than gladness and joy in their worship
 - 1:13
- They could go through the motions and still feel ok about it
- A disrespect for the law of God
 - Offerings
 - Tithes
 - Marriage and divorce
 - Holy living

- We owe reverence, fear, honor, and obedience to God
- God will not accept just anything we call worship
- We must respect God's instruction about the Lord's day
- Worship and service to God must be fervently offered from the heart
- God's children are to live holy lives
- God's children have the utmost respect for the law of Christ
- God will not accept our leftovers