



Sermon
Discussion
Guide

Sunday, November 20, 2022

THE MINOR PROPHETS: Malachi

Read/Reflect

1. Read 1:6-14. What attitudes toward worship are reflected in this passage?
2. Read 2:1-9. What is God's charge against the priests?

Explore

1. How would you describe your attitudes toward gathered worship on Sunday? Has it changed since the pandemic? If so, how?
2. In Romans 12:1, the apostle Paul writes that our true and proper worship is to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God. What do you think it means to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice? How might this be reflected in our lives – especially as we gather to worship on Sundays?
3. A theologian, James B. Torrance, writes that worship is “the gift of grace to participate through the Spirit in the incarnate Son’s communion with the Father” (*Worship, Community and the Triune God of Grace*). How does this change the way you think about gathered worship on Sunday? How does this change the way you think about worship in general?

Pray

- Are there any attitudes towards gathered worship that we need to repent of? Take time to confess and ask God for forgiveness for the times we may have dishonored God in our attitudes toward worship.
- Read Hebrews 10:1-25. Spend time in prayer to thank Jesus for offering Himself as a sacrifice, our true and only atonement for sin, so that we might draw near to God in worship.